Tenure-Track Assistant Professor of Teaching in Exercise Testing, Prescription, and Program Design

The School of Kinesiology, Faculty of Education at the University of British Columbia (UBC) invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor of Teaching position in the area of Exercise Testing, Prescription, and Program Design. The appointment is expected to begin on July 1, 2021 or as negotiated with the successful candidate.

The Assistant Professor of Teaching in Exercise Testing, Prescription, and Program Design will be primarily focused on the preparation and delivery of teaching activities within the School’s undergraduate program and may contribute to teaching in the Master of Kinesiology (non-thesis) program. The incumbent will also be expected to take on significant educational leadership tasks, such as contributing to development of the curriculum and innovation of teaching methods in addition to utilizing professional/discipline-related expertise to deliver high-quality teaching in areas of exercise testing and prescription, chronic health issues and physical activity.

The successful candidate will be required to keep abreast of current developments in the field of exercise testing and prescription. Although there is no expectation of conducting research, the Assistant Professor of Teaching will use their knowledge and expertise in the field when providing leadership and support to the School of Kinesiology Outreach program (http://outreach.kin.educ.ubc.ca/). These opportunities deliver long-term health and well-being to the UBC and Greater Vancouver community through Physical Activity programs supported by the expertise of the School of Kinesiology. The total workload for this position will be the equivalent of 24 credits per year including teaching assignments of courses scheduled over the academic year (typically four to six 3-credit courses) and significant educational leadership responsibilities, such as curriculum development, evaluation, innovation, course coordination, graduate teaching assistant supervision, and other leadership roles.

The successful candidate will hold a doctoral degree (PhD or equivalent) in Kinesiology, Exercise Science, or a closely related area. Professional accreditation as an exercise scientist and/or sports scientist, as well as experience in the fields of exercise prescription and/or strength and conditioning is highly desirable. Clinical practice experience and leadership including a high proportion of clinical exercise prescription activity in occupational rehabilitation and/or chronic disease management would be an asset. The successful candidate must demonstrate a record of teaching excellence at the post-secondary level.

The School of Kinesiology currently has 24 full-time tenure stream faculty members, approximately 1350 full-time undergraduate students, and 160 graduate students. We offer a Bachelor of Kinesiology degree with specializations in Neuromechanical and Physiological Sciences, Social and Behavioural Sciences, and Multi-disciplinary Science. The graduate program includes M.A., M.Sc., Master of Kinesiology (non-thesis), Master of High Performance Coaching & Technical Leadership, and Ph.D. degrees. For further details about the School of Kinesiology and its research, please visit the School’s website at http://kin.educ.ubc.ca/.

The UBC Faculty of Education is one of the leading faculties of its kind in the world, advancing educational research and understanding of teaching and learning in a way that celebrates diversity, equity and innovation, and welcomes international collaboration in an increasingly borderless globe. We provide a comprehensive set of programmatic offerings at the baccalaureate, magisterial, and doctoral levels. For further details about the Faculty of Education and its research and teaching programs, please visit www.educ.ubc.ca.
The UBC Vancouver campus is located on the traditional ancestral and unceded territory of the Musqueam people in Vancouver, currently a multicultural, multilingual city ranked as one of the best places to live in the world. The University is a global centre for teaching, learning and research, consistently ranked among the top 20 public universities in the world and recently recognized as North America’s most international university.

The School of Kinesiology, Faculty of Education, and UBC are dedicated to the goal of building a diverse and inclusive academic community. We strongly encourage applications from candidates who can demonstrate through their teaching, educational leadership experience and service that they can contribute to this goal. Familiarity with pedagogical methods, educational leadership projects, and service that enable students across Indigenous, racial, ethnic, sexual and gender identity and socio-economic groups to reach their maximum potential, will be considered an asset. Candidates should have a strong commitment to fostering inclusivity and teaching in a welcoming and politically astute environment.

This is a tenure-track position in the Educational Leadership stream. The successful candidate will be reviewed for reappointment, tenure, and promotion in subsequent years, in accordance with the Collective Agreement. For a detailed description of the Assistant Professor of Teaching rank and criteria for reappointment and promotion, visit: https://hr.ubc.ca/sites/default/files/2020-09/Faculty-CA2019-2021.pdf. The position is subject to final budgetary approval. Starting salary is determined both by the candidate’s qualifications and experience and by their placement on the career progress scale within the UBC Faculty of Education.

Interested applicants are invited to send:
(i) a cover letter indicating the position being sought and outlining potential Educational Leadership contributions to the School,
(ii) curriculum vitae,
(iii) evidence of teaching excellence (such as course outlines and student evaluations),
(iv) a statement of Educational Leadership that includes your experience with Pedagogical Innovation initiatives and your Teaching Philosophy,
(v) one or two samples of relevant publications or other documents relevant to Educational Leadership (if applicable), and
(vi) a Diversity Statement. Diversity is an important part of the Faculty of Education/UBC mission. Please provide a Diversity Statement (max 1 page) that describes and documents how diversity figures into your past and present experience of teaching, research/educational leadership, community engagement, and your lived experience. Going forward, how would you imagine incorporating attention to creating/advancing a culture of equity and inclusion?

The complete application file must be submitted in the format of one bookmarked PDF file, addressed to Dr. Robert Boushel, Director School of Kinesiology, and sent electronically to kin.hr@ubc.ca by the application review start date (below). Please indicate in subject heading: Exercise Testing, Prescription, and Program Design. Following the submission of the application, the applicant will receive an Equity Survey link via email. Completion of the anonymous Equity Survey is strongly encouraged as part of the application process.

Applicants should also arrange to have three letters of reference sent directly to kin.hr@ubc.ca by the application review start date (below).

While applications will be received until the position is filled, interested parties are encouraged to submit by February 15, 2021 to ensure optimal consideration.
Questions regarding the position should be directed to Dr. Robert Boushel, Director School of Kinesiology at kin.hr@ubc.ca.

Equity and diversity are essential to academic excellence. An open and diverse community fosters the inclusion of voices that have been underrepresented or discouraged. We encourage applications from members of groups that have been marginalized on any grounds enumerated under the B.C. Human Rights Code, including sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, racialization, disability, political belief, religion, marital or family status, age, and/or status as a First Nation, Metis, Inuit, or Indigenous person.

All qualified persons are encouraged to apply, however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.