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Lecturer in New Media and Learning Technologies in Education

Faculty of Education, Master of Educational Technology (MET) Program

Open date: June 3, 2021

Application review start date: July 5, 2021

This search will remain open until the position is filled.
The Master of Educational Technology (MET) Program within UBC’s Faculty of Education, one of the world’s leading faculties of its kind, invites applications for the position of Lecturer in New Media and Learning Technologies in Education.

The Faculty of Education at the University of British Columbia invites applications for a full-time Lecturer position in New Media and Learning Technologies in Education. This position is for an initial one-year term that is renewable for up to 3 years. The position will support program delivery and contribute to the design of online courses within the Master of Educational Technology program. The appointment is expected to commence September 1, 2021 (or as negotiated with the successful candidate).

The workload includes a teaching assignment of courses scheduled over the academic year in combination with curriculum development work. The academic appointment as Lecturer will be to the Faculty of Education. Teaching and teaching-related duties, as well as service duties, will be within the Master of Educational Technology (MET) program. MET offers a fully online graduate degree and two graduate certificates that explore the potential use and impact of digital media and learning technologies in a variety of contexts. UBC is an internationally-recognized leader in digital and online education, and Faculty of Education members work on the leading edge of curriculum design and technology integration.

The successful candidate will contribute to the MET program in areas that include the history and design of digital learning environments, including learning theories, instructional methodologies, research methodology in relation to digital learning environments, and design for accessibility, diversity and inclusivity.

Applicants will have an earned doctoral degree with expertise in New Media and Learning Technologies and experience with post-secondary online teaching and learning, ideally with experience in schools and other informal learning environments, and demonstrated experience with a wide range of educational technologies, applied instructional strategies, and instructional design of online learning. Expert and current knowledge pertaining to the following academic areas is a requirement: digital learning environments, including learning theories, instructional methodologies, research methodology in relation to digital learning environments, and design for accessibility, diversity and inclusivity.
Preference will be given to applicants with the following qualifications: (a) interdisciplinary expertise and experience in new media practices and pedagogy, with an emphasis on crafts, theories, and technologies as utilized by and relevant to the design of formal and informal online, networked learning spaces; and (b) commitments to and expertise with decolonizing, reconciliation, anti-racist, and social justice approaches to teaching and learning. An exemplary record of teaching and innovation in online education is required.

A Lecturer position in the Faculty of Education carries an annual workload that includes teaching and teaching-related duties. The successful candidate will be required to keep abreast of current developments in the field of New Media and Learning Technologies. The successful candidate is expected to: (a) teach ETEC courses; (b) revise, design and develop ETEC courses; (c) supervise directed study students; (d) assist the Director and Associate Director with tasks related to curriculum renewal. It is expected that Lecturers participate fully in affairs and activities of the MET program.

The University of British Columbia is located on traditional unceded Musqueam territory in beautiful Vancouver, a multicultural, multilingual city ranked as one of the world’s best places to live. The University is recognized internationally as a leading research institution and, recently, was ranked as second in Canada and 40th in the world (Academic Ranking of World Universities). The Faculty of Education was ranked first in Canada and thirteenth globally among faculties of education (2019 QS World University Rankings). It is committed to teaching and research excellence and provides a comprehensive set of programmatic offerings at the baccalaureate, magisterial and doctoral levels.

The 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 effectively in a welcoming environment.

Interested candidates are invited to submit an application package that includes:

(i) a cover letter indicating the position being sought and outlining potential contributions to the Program,

(ii) curriculum vitae,

(iii) a statement of New Media Teaching Interests, Design Aesthetic and Philosophy,

(iv) evidence of teaching abilities and effectiveness (including course outlines and student evaluations), and
(v) a Diversity Statement. Diversity is an important part of the Faculty of Education’s and UBC’s mission. Please provide a Diversity Statement (maximum 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 or advancing a culture of equity and inclusion?

Applications must be provided in the format of one bookmarked (if possible) PDF file, addressed to Dr. Teresa Dobson, Director, MET Program, and sent electronically to Michael Wilkinson at michael.wilkinson@ubc.ca. Following the submission of the application, the applicant will receive an Equity Survey link via email. Completion of the Equity Survey is required as part of the application process.

Applicants should also arrange to have three letters of reference sent directly to michael.wilkinson@ubc.ca by July 5, 2021.

While applications will be received until the position is filled, interested parties are encouraged to submit by July 5, 2021 to ensure optimal consideration.

This position is subject to final budgetary approval. Starting salary is determined both by the candidate’s qualifications and experience and by the career progress scale for Lecturers within the Faculty of Education. Queries about this term position should be directed to Dr. Teresa Dobson, Director, MET Program & Professor, Faculty of Education at teresa.dobson@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 British Columbia 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 candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority. All applicants will be required to complete a confidential equity survey.

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