

At the intersection of mind and action, Ryerson is on a transformative path to become Canada's leading comprehensive innovation university. Integral to this path is the placement of equity, diversity and inclusion as fundamental to our institutional culture. Our current [academic plan](#) outlines each as core values and we work to embed them in all that we do.

Ryerson University welcomes those who have demonstrated a commitment to upholding the values of equity, diversity, and inclusion and will assist us to expand our capacity for diversity in the broadest sense. For more information, please visit www.ryerson.ca/equity.

Canada Research Chairs (CRC) – Tier 2

● Indigenous Democracies (AR-T-183)

● Democracy (AR-T-182)

Faculty of Arts

The Faculty of Arts at Ryerson University, in the City of Toronto, on the territory of the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee and Huron-Wendat, invites applications for two Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) Tier 2 Canada Research Chairs (CRC) to be appointed in a department in the Faculty of Arts, one in Indigenous Democracies and the second in Democracy.

Successful candidates will be appointed at the Assistant or Associate Professor level, subject to final budgetary approval. Responsibilities will include building a research program that develops a research hub in the areas of Indigenous Democracies or Democracy, contributing to interdisciplinary and collaborative research and the growth of graduate programs at Ryerson, plus teaching and service duties.

The Tier 2 Canada Research Chairs will be exceptional emerging scholars with up to 10 years of active research in their fields, or equivalent, and demonstrate potential to achieve international recognition in their fields in the next five to 10 years, as well as capacity as Chairholders to attract, develop and retain diverse, excellent trainees, students and future researchers, particularly from under-represented groups such as women, racialized people, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, and 2SLGBTQ+ people. The Chairs will have a PhD in the humanities or social sciences, with expertise in Indigenous Studies or Settler Colonial Studies, and/or in the study of democracy, including democratic theory, institutions, processes, and/or societal outcomes, as well as community-based experience.

CRC Chair in Indigenous Democracies: With Indigenous peoples often alienated from, and/or refusing to participate in, state democratic practices, we seek to understand the terms of engagement. The successful candidate will explore the complexities of Indigenous involvement, or refusal, in state democratic institutions, norms and governance, as well as the contours of Indigenous forms of democracy, and the intersections of these distinct systems. The Chair's research agenda will draw upon inter-disciplinary, pan-university and Indigenous research communities, and will organize and engage with public forums to bring together some of the brightest minds to help frame the relevant issues and find meaningful and effective solutions. Preference will be given to Indigenous scholars with lived experience, a strong commitment to Indigenous knowledges and methodologies, and extensive experience in collaborating with Indigenous students, organizations and communities.

CRC Chair in Democracy: Applicants for the CRC in Democracy may be inter-disciplinary and methodologically creative in their focus on democracy. Central to this position is the Chairholder's potential to create and mobilize practical knowledge, thereby strengthening democratic ideas, norms and institutions, fostering inclusion, democratic self-rule and outcomes, as well as contributing to the Faculty of Arts' leadership in conversations about democratic engagement.

For a full description of the Tier 2 Canada Research Chairs (CRC) in Indigenous Democracies and in Democracy, and details on how to submit your application, please visit Faculty Opportunities at:

www.ryerson.ca/jobs

Please note that all qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, applications from Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

As an employer, we are working towards a people-first culture and are proud to have been selected as

one of Canada's Best Diversity Employers and a Greater Toronto's Top Employer for 2015, 2016 and 2017.

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