Canada Research Chair in Healthy Aging (Tier 2)

The School of Nursing and the Division of Community Health and Humanities, Faculty of Medicine at Memorial University of Newfoundland invite applications for a Canada Research Chair in Healthy Aging (Tier 2). The appointment will be at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor. Details of the Canada Research Chairs can be found at www.chairs.gc.ca.

The Canada Research Chair in Healthy Aging will undertake research activities which lead to improved policy and practice for healthy aging and aging communities in Newfoundland and Labrador. The Chair will take advantage of existing and emerging areas of strength across the university to engage in applied interdisciplinary research grounded in the principles of primary, secondary, and tertiary prevention. The Chair will build community research capacity by strengthening existing ties and establishing new links among community agencies, policy makers, and researchers. Priority will be given to individuals with a promising publication record in refereed journals, and the ability to develop a productive research program supported by external funding.

The ideal candidate will possess a PhD in Gerontology, Nursing, Public Health, Health Sciences, Applied Health Sciences, or an equivalent degree with a research and service record in the broad determinants of healthy aging, as well as supportive services and policy development for older persons. A research interest in women’s roles as providers, mediators, advocates, and negotiators of healthy aging would be considered an asset.

Memorial University is the largest university in Atlantic Canada. As the province’s only university, Memorial plays an integral role in the educational cultural life of Newfoundland and Labrador. Offering diverse undergraduate and graduate programs to almost 18,000 students, Memorial provides a distinctive and stimulating environment for learning in St. John’s, a safe, friendly city with great historic charm, a vibrant cultural life, and easy access to a wide range of outdoor activities.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. Memorial University is committed to employment equity and encourages applications from qualified women and men, visible minorities, aboriginal people and person with disabilities.

Closing date for applications is June 26, 2006. An application must include curriculum vitae, two samples of published scholarly writing, the contact details of three referees, and a letter that provides an overview and discussion of relevant qualifications and plans for a research program. Direct inquiries to Dr. Sandra LeFort, Director, School of Nursing, c/o of Mrs. Elaine St. Croix at efscroix@mun.ca. Applications should quote competition number, VPA-NURS-2006-005 and should be addressed to:

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