



Chair in Biomedical Ethics | School of Population and Public Health

The School of Population and Public Health at the University of British Columbia (UBC) invites applications for Chair in Biomedical Ethics. The position will be based in the SPPH building at the UBC Vancouver/Point Grey Campus. The initial term of the Chair in Biomedical Ethics is intended to be for a 5-year term and is expected to be filled by an internal candidate at the rank of Professor with tenure within the Centre for Applied Ethics in the School of Population and Public Health, Faculty of Medicine. The awarding of this Chair is subject to the usual University approvals.

SPPH is a research-intensive unit that also has a strong emphasis on education. The school is home to approximately 60 faculty members and 350 graduate students whose research interests align with four divisions: Epidemiology, Biostatistics & Public Health; Health in Populations; Health Services and Systems; and Occupational and Environmental Health. With an emphasis on equity, health promotion and prevention, and application of evidence to improve and maintain the health of the population, SPPH provides training for undergraduate, graduate, and professional students across multiple degree programs, including MPH, MSc and PhD degrees.

Reporting to the School Director, the successful candidate will demonstrate a significant scholarly impact internationally and nationally in biomedical ethics with expertise in research ethics and the intersection of arts, ethics and health. They will have an international profile of leadership in biomedical ethics. The successful candidate will also be expected to participate in the teaching activities of the School, as well as provide mentorship and training to undergraduate, graduate, and postgraduate learners.

The successful candidate will hold a PhD in an area related to applied ethics, including but not limited to philosophy, sociology, or bioethics. The successful candidate will have demonstrated appropriate standards of excellence in teaching, have received wide recognition in their sustained and productive scholarly activity, and participated significantly in academic and professional affairs. Demonstrated ability to effectively communicate and interact with empathy, understanding and, respect of diverse and divergent perspectives and behaviors.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Please submit your application via e-mail to: Amanda Versteeg, Senior Human Resources Manager at amanda.versteeg@ubc.ca. An application package should include a letter of application outlining the applicant's research and teaching interests, accompanied by an updated curriculum vitae.

Should you have any queries around this position, please contact Human Resources Manager at amanda.versteeg@ubc.ca.

Review of applications will begin on **November 1, 2023** and continue until the position is filled. The anticipated start date for this position is **January 1, 2024** or upon a date to be mutually agreed.

At UBC, we believe that attracting and sustaining a diverse workforce is key to the successful pursuit of excellence in research, innovation, and learning for all faculty, staff and students, and is essential to fostering an outstanding work environment. Our commitment to employment equity helps achieve inclusion and fairness, brings rich diversity to UBC as a workplace, and creates the necessary conditions for a rewarding career.

The University is committed to creating and maintaining an inclusive and equitable work environment for all members of its workforce. An inclusive work environment presumes an environment where differences are accepted, recognized, and integrated into current structures, planning, and decision-making modes. Within this

hiring process we will make efforts to create an inclusive and equitable process for all candidates (including but not limited to people with disabilities). Confidential accommodations are available on request for applicants who are short-listed. Please contact **Amanda Versteeg** via email at amanda.versteeg@ubc.ca

To learn more about UBC's Center for Workplace Accessibility, visit the website here <https://hr.ubc.ca/CWA>.

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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 candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.