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Assistant Professor or Associate Professor
Urban Studies Program & Department of Gerontology
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

The Urban Studies Program and Department of Gerontology at Simon Fraser University are inviting applications for a full-time, tenure-track appointment at the rank of Assistant or Associate Professor in the area of Urban Aging. This is a joint position with primary unit as Urban Studies (50%) and secondary unit Gerontology (50%). The candidate must hold a PhD in a social science discipline or a closely related field by the employment start date. They will, depending on rank, have developed or demonstrate the potential for developing effective teaching skills at both the undergraduate and graduate levels in both units.

Details about the Urban Studies program and the Department of Gerontology and their current research and degree programs are available at <https://www.sfu.ca/urban.html> and <http://www.sfu.ca/gerontology.html>. Urban Studies is currently developing an undergraduate curriculum, in which the successful applicant would be expected to contribute. Both units also support graduate programs. Candidates will be expected to build on the strengths of, and bolster the capacity of, both units. They should demonstrate evidence of a commitment to high quality research and teaching, and community engagement and outreach. Their experience of working with a diverse student body and their contributions or potential contributions to creating/advancing a culture of equity and inclusion will be welcomed.

The expected start date is July 15, 2023.

QUALIFICATIONS: We seek to recruit a colleague with qualifications in one or more social science disciplines, who has experience conducting research on one or more of: older adults in cities and the built environment, vulnerable urban populations and aging, housing solutions and aging, mobilities, urban infrastructure, ethnicity, cultures and communities, age-friendly policies and programs, and qualitative, quantitative or mixed-research methodologies. The faculty member will be expected to develop a strong, externally funded research program, effectively teach undergraduate and graduate courses in urban studies and gerontology, successfully supervise graduate students, and participate in program and departmental governance. Applicants should have demonstrated or have the potential to demonstrate, depending on rank, a strong publication record in one or more of the areas identified above as demonstrated by publications in leading academic journals and/or with leading academic presses and strong endorsements from letters of reference.

Effective teaching can be demonstrated by highlights of teaching accomplishments and evidence of strong communication skills. A teaching dossier, including syllabi and other teaching materials, may be requested from candidates after the initial round of evaluation.

Appointment will be made at the rank of Assistant Professor or Associate Professor, depending on qualifications. Assistant Professor is considered a junior faculty position; only those holding or those eligible to be promoted to the rank will be considered. For Associate Professor, only those holding or expected to hold the rank at the start of the employment will be considered. The position is subject to the availability of funding.

APPLICATIONS: Applications will be considered until the position is filled, with preference being given to applications received prior to January 4, 2023. Applications will be treated in confidence and should include a cover letter, a detailed curriculum vitae, a summary of research interests including a one-page outline of a potential five-year research program, a statement of teaching philosophy, materials supporting their teaching record, and up to three recent publications (pdf format). Applicants should arrange for the names and contact information for three referees to be sent directly to urban@sfu.ca. We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those selected for interviews will be contacted. If you have any questions, please contact the Search Committee's secretary at urban@sfu.ca.

Email applications and attachments (a single PDF document is preferred) to urban@sfu.ca:

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Simon Fraser University respectfully acknowledges the x^wməθk^wəyəm (Musqueam), S^kwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), səliilwətaʔt (Tsleil-Waututh), qíćəy (Katzie), k^wik^wəłəm (Kwkwetlem), Qayqayt, Kwantlen, Semiahmoo and Tsawwassen peoples on whose unceded traditional territories our three campuses reside.

Simon Fraser University is an institution whose strength is based on our shared commitments to diversity, equity and inclusion. Diversity is an underlying principle of our Strategic Vision, which pledges SFU to “foster a culture of inclusion and mutual respect, celebrating the diversity reflected among its students, faculty staff and our community.” SFU is committed to ensuring no individual is denied access to employment opportunities for reasons unrelated to ability or qualifications. Consistent with this principle, SFU will advance the interests of underrepresented members of the work force, including Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, racialized persons and women; embrace gender and sexual diversity; ensure that

equal opportunity is afforded to all who seek employment at the University; and treat all employees equitably. Candidates that belong to underrepresented groups are particularly encouraged to apply.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.

Under the authority of the *University Act* personal information that is required by the University for academic appointment competitions will be collected. For further details see the http://www.sfu.ca/vpacademic/Faculty_Openings/Collection_Notice.html