Call for proposals

PROFESSOR—TIER 2 CANADA RESEARCH CHAIR –

Nº 08004
Posting period: April 20, to August 10, 2026, 5 p.m.
JOB DESCRIPTION: Professor
SCHEDULE: Full-time position
PARTICIPATING FACULTIES: Faculty of Engineering, Faculty of Science and Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences

As part of the call for proposals for the Canada Research Chairs (CRC) Program, the Université de Sherbrooke (UdeS) is seeking applications to fill a professorship for a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair. The CRC proposal must be in line with one of the following six unifying themes:

- Living in society
- Educating future generations
- Climate action and Biodiversity
- Technological innovation and Quantum sciences
- Sustainable health
- Population aging

This call for proposals is open only to external candidates, meaning individuals who do not currently hold a professorial position at UdeS as of the deadline for the current posting. The following faculties are participating in this call for proposals: Faculty of Engineering, Faculty of Science and Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences

The faculty affiliation will be determined based on the candidate's expertise and the orientation of the proposed research program.

Any Tier 2 Canada Research Chair is tenable for five years and may be renewed once for an additional five-year term, subject to peer review under the Canada Research Chairs Program and the Université de Sherbrooke's internal review process.

DESIRED PROFILE

The candidate's primary area of expertise must fall within one of the six unifying themes listed above.

The Canada Research Chairs Program was established by the Government of Canada to attract and retain, among others, some of the world's most accomplished and promising researchers.

Nominees for Tier 2 CRCs are emerging scholars recognized by their peers for the quality of their work and their potential to become leaders in their field. Candidates must propose a promising and innovative research program while demonstrating interest and competence in teaching.

The nominee will be selected by a committee based on the following criteria:

- Scientific relevance of the proposal
- Structuring impact and relevance of the proposal to the research themes of the UdeS and its programs
- Ability to obtain research funding mainly in the natural sciences and engineering sectors, for example from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)
- Compliance with Tier 2 CRC selection criteria

Please visit the website of the CRC Program to find out more about the program and the eligibility criteria for nominees.

CAREER INTERRUPTIONS

Tier 2 Chairs are intended for outstanding emerging researchers (they must have been active in their field for less than 10 years at the time of nomination).

If their career has been legitimately interrupted (consult the section Acceptable Justifications; among others, maternity or parental leave, extended sick leave, clinical training), candidates who earned their highest degree more than 10 years ago at the time of submitting their application **must** have their eligibility for a Tier 2 Chair assessed through the Tier 2 chair justification process of the Program. Please contact the Human Resources Department.

Career interruptions will be taken into account when assessing applications. As such, candidates are encouraged to identify such periods in their curriculum vitae or cover letter.

DUTIES

- Teach in undergraduate and graduate programs.
- Supervise graduate students.
- Develop fundamental, clinical and/or applied research activities.
- Take part in university life.
- Contribute to community service.

ABOUT THE WORKPLACE

Main Sherbrooke Campus.

For the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, the workplace may also be Longueuil or Saguenay.

REQUIREMENTS

- Hold a doctorate in a discipline deemed relevant or be in the process of obtaining one.
- Comply with the requirements of the Tier 2 CRC Program.
- Have a strong interest and aptitude for teaching, university pedagogy, as well as research, development and innovation.
- Demonstrate the ability to establish and maintain good interpersonal relationships, a sense of collaboration and teamwork skills.
- Demonstrate leadership qualities, initiative and excellent abilities to communicate and interact effectively and smoothly with internal and external partners.
- Have the ability to teach in French or achieve this ability quickly.
- Possess experience in interdisciplinary, multidisciplinary or transdisciplinary research as well as knowledge transfer.
- Be able to comply with the requirements related to responsible conduct in research.
- For candidates seeking affiliation with the Faculty of Engineering: Be a member of the *Ordre des ingénieurs du Québec* or have the qualifications required to become one and commit to becoming a member as soon as possible.

The working conditions are governed by the collective agreements in force.

Regular, full-time position

Anticipated start date: To be determined

EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

UdeS values diversity, equality, equity and inclusion within its community and has committed to promoting these values as strategic drivers of excellence, recognizing that diverse perspectives foster innovation and creativity. This commitment is articulated in both the University's Strategic Plan and its EDI Action Plan for Research (2023–2026).

Nominations for Canada Research Chairs must enable the University to make progress toward achieving its representation targets for women, visible minorities, Indigenous peoples, and persons with disabilities, as defined by the Employment Equity Act and in accordance with the 2022–2029 CRC Target-Setting Plan.

The Université de Sherbrooke invites all qualified individuals to apply. Priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents.

Selection tools may be adapted to accommodate candidates with disabilities upon request and in full confidentiality. Contact: Élaine Huot – Elaine.Huot@USherbrooke.ca

Where applicable based on the candidates' profiles, UdeS will rely on the *Guidelines for the Merit Review of Indigenous Research*, which apply to all Indigenous research regardless of the funding agency.

The Université de Sherbrooke also encourages individuals of all sexual orientations and gender identities to apply.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The deadline for submitting applications is **Monday, August 10, 2026 at 5 p.m.**

Check our website then **submit your application online**. For this opportunity, see offer 08004.

Direct link: https://www.usherbrooke.ca/emplois/offre/no/08004

Please attach the following documents:

1. Your curriculum vitae
2. A cover letter indicating the targeted faculty
3. A research program proposal (5 pages) including the main areas of focus related to your previous work, the objectives pursued, a summary schedule of activities, integration with the overarching theme, training for the highly qualified personnel who will be called upon to collaborate, funding opportunities, and networking
4. Copies of your most recent scientific articles relevant to the fields indicated

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Candidates may be called for an interview **between August 11, and November 30, 2026**.

For more information:

- About Université de Sherbrooke
- Career Opportunities in Research at Université de Sherbrooke
- Research Excellence at Université de Sherbrooke
- An exceptional working and living environment (French)