

# Faculty Opening

**Posting:** 2018.252  
**Position:** Assistant Professor, Social, Cultural and Media Studies (Sociology)  
**Department:** Social, Cultural and Media Studies, College of Arts  
**Status:** Faculty, Permanent (tenure-track); 100% full-time  
**Start Date:** August 1, 2019  
**Review Date:** February 1, 2019



## About UFV

The University of the Fraser Valley (UFV) is nationally recognized for its emphasis on teaching excellence, experiential and applied education, community engagement, and Indigenization. UFV is the school of choice for over 15,000 students. With six campuses and centers, UFV offers undergraduate and graduate programs in the arts, sciences, and professional studies, as well as trades and technology education, university preparation and continuing education.

At UFV, we are dedicated to changing lives and building community. Our educational goals are to prioritize learning everywhere; be flexible and responsive; collaborate across boundaries; develop local and global citizenship; and integrate experiential learning. A British Columbia "Top Employer", we are committed to providing a welcoming, inclusive, and dynamic learning and working environment that is fair and respectful of everyone. Our culturally diverse employee and student populations reflect the local, national, international and Indigenous communities we serve. If you see yourself as a lifelong member of a community that values and nurtures innovation and creativity, cultivates leadership and citizenship, and where success builds on success, you belong at UFV.

## Posting Details

The department of [Social, Cultural and Media Studies](#) at UFV invites applications for a full-time, tenure-track position in Sociology. The successful candidate will demonstrate expertise in community/public health. Research in areas of community health and/or public health is an asset. The ideal candidate will be committed to teaching and complement our current faculty strengths.

We are seeking a collegial, energetic and innovative individual who has successful teaching experience at the undergraduate level and who communicates effectively with students both in and out of the classroom; is qualified to instruct across a range of the undergraduate courses offered by the department; and can develop new and innovative courses. Our department has a strong record of supporting students as they engage in coursework, research projects, participation in academic conferences, and other experiential learning opportunities and this position requires an enthusiastic commitment to these student success efforts.

Experience with teaching international students and managing the needs of a diverse classroom environment is required. UFV is committed to supporting and engaging international students, an increasingly diverse classroom population, and indigenizing our curriculum and our practice where appropriate. Ability to incorporate or reflect Indigenous or marginalized perspectives into the curriculum is required.

An ability to contribute to one or more of UFV's interdisciplinary programs such as global development studies is an asset. The successful candidate will show demonstrated experience in technology-supported teaching (e.g. hybrid, on-line, and computer-assisted learning) and experiential learning.

The successful applicant will have aptitude for and, preferably, experience in working in team situations; demonstrated ability to participate in innovative inter-disciplinary teaching and learning opportunities. The successful applicant will be expected to actively engage in service work with the department, the College of Arts and the university as a whole; and will show an active commitment to academic leadership. A commitment to an ongoing program of professional development is required.

In addition to mentoring students from diverse backgrounds and fostering a vibrant environment within our SCMS programs and our broader community, the successful candidate will also be expected to maintain a program of scholarly activity or research, preferably one which involves students and is community-linked.

The successful applicant will have a demonstrable ability to collaborate/ interact effectively with external bodies or agencies. We particularly encourage applications from Indigenous scholars or teachers or researchers with experience of racialization, colonization, and/or other forms of marginalization.

## Qualifications

The successful candidate will have a PhD in Sociology (or a related discipline) from a recognized/accredited post-secondary institution, or solid indication of imminent completion. The candidate must have demonstrated successful teaching experience at the post-secondary level. Demonstrated excellence or potential for excellence in scholarly research and professional and/or community service is required.

**How to Apply**

Candidates should submit electronically a cover letter, a curriculum vitae, a statement of teaching philosophy, an original sample course plan for one of the teaching areas identified above, student evaluations, and three letters of reference (to be sent separately).

Direct your application – referring to **Posting 2018.252** to:

**Human Resources****University of the Fraser Valley****33844 King Road, Abbotsford, BC, Canada V2S 7M8****Tel: (604) 854-4554****Fax: (604) 854-1538****Website: [www.ufv.ca](http://www.ufv.ca)****Email applications to: [hrinfo@ufv.ca](mailto:hrinfo@ufv.ca)**

The Selection Advisory Committee will begin reviewing applications on February 1, 2019; however, the position will remain open until filled. Short-listed candidates may undergo a criminal record check and/or a verification of their education credentials, as required.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. In an effort to be both environmentally and fiscally responsible, UFV will contact only candidates receiving an interview. We thank all applicants for considering UFV for employment. **UFV is committed to the principle of equity in employment.**