



VACANCY

Postdoctoral Research Fellow

Faculty of Arts, Department of Sociology, Brandon University

This new, full-time post is available from July 2021 on a fixed term basis for 24 months and will conduct research under the supervision of Dr. Ariane Hanemaayer, Associate Professor of Sociology and Co-Director of the Medical Humanities Research Group.

This project has received funding from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Insight Grant (file 435-2021-1179).

Salary: \$45,000 per annum

DESCRIPTION

Brandon University campuses are located on Treaty 1 and Treaty 2 territories, the lands of the Dakota, Anishanabek, Oji-Cree, Dene and Métis peoples.

The Faculty of Arts wishes to recruit a Postdoctoral Research Fellow to participate in the project “Opioid Crisis: History, Science, Regulation” based in the Department of Sociology and the Medical Humanities Research Group at Brandon University. The project objective is to develop critical explanations regarding the causes of the opioid crisis in three nations, Canada, the United States, and the United Kingdom, for the purpose of recommending ameliorative possibilities in Canadian society (and beyond). Primarily, this project will conduct a genealogical analysis of the intersections among public health, medical regulation, human sciences related to pain and its management, and health governance and policy in the long 20th Century.

The successful applicant will collaborate with Dr. Ariane Hanemaayer towards articulating the links between the results of relevant human sciences (e.g., neuro-science, psychiatry, clinical epidemiology, epidemiology, and others) and clinical pain management, examining the role of science in the clinic. This study will rely on existing scholarship in critical theory, the human sciences, and social studies of health and medicine.

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

- to contribute in the organization and execution of research activities related to the project;
- to engage regularly with the project team;
- to develop an individual research portfolio (papers, articles, conferences);
- to work in archival research sites;
- to support research activities at BU.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- to gain experience in teaching and course design. *

* Opportunities to teach *may be* available for extra contract hours, if the PDF wishes to apply on a course by course basis.

CANDIDATE'S PROFILE

Applicants will possess a relevant PhD or equivalent qualification/experience in sociology, anthropology, social and political thought, comparative literature, philosophy, history of and/or social studies of science, or relevant field. Applicants should possess sufficient specialist knowledge in the discipline to develop research programmes, methodologies, and publications. The successful applicant will also be able to work

collaboratively, supervise the work of others and act as team leader as required. See attached person specification for a list of criteria.

What we can offer you

- Support to pursue your intellectual interests and to work creatively across disciplines to produce internationally exciting research;
- Supportive colleagues that understand the University wide research and teaching goals and partner with other academics accordingly
- Training opportunities for supporting high performing academics to achieve their potential and develop their career (e.g., Centre for Teaching and Learning, Professional Training seminars)
- Mentorship in your academic and professional career

About Brandon

The Brandon University campus is located in southwestern Manitoba, Canada and home to 3,600 students. Consistent with our liberal arts educational mission, BU continues to build international and nationally recognized interdisciplinary research, and externally funded research activities. Brandon is an hour's drive from Riding Mountain National Park, Kitchy Manitou Provincial Park, Minnedosa's ski valley, and the International Peace Garden. With both winter and summer outdoor sports and activities, Brandon is graced with ample choices for all-season recreation and an active lifestyle. A real 12-month city, Brandon's arts and cultural scene includes festivals and concerts that span all genres, from folk and jazz to new music, dance and Nuit Blanche. The community hosts diverse cuisine and shops. All the amenities of a large city are also available, including box stores, gyms, pools, libraries, diverse cultural centres, and an airport with daily flights to Calgary (yyc). The Keystone Centre is one of Canada's most versatile venues — home to everything from the Brandon Wheat Kings WHL hockey team to the Royal Manitoba Winter Fair.

THE APPLICATION DOSSIER MUST INCLUDE:

- Covering letter addressing the person specification criteria (see attached)
- Current academic CV
- One writing sample/publication of not more than 30 pages

Please send the application dossier in a single .PDF to MottS@BrandonU.ca. Please indicate "PDF Application" in the subject line. Please specify in your application if you are currently eligible to work in Canada.

For further information, contact Dr. Ariane Hanemaayer, hanemaayer@brandonu.ca

The closing date for completed applications is 4 June, 2021. Interviews are expected to take place via Zoom on June 22, 2021.

In accordance with Manitoba Human Rights Legislation and the University's Equity Plan, preference will be given to those who will contribute to the diversification of the University's research environment, especially those who are Black, Indigenous, People of Colour, sex, sexual and/or gender minorities, persons with disabilities (including neurodiversity), and women. Candidates from these groups are encouraged self-identify.

We are committed to providing an inclusive and barrier-free work environment. This starts with the hiring process. If you require an accommodation during any phase of the evaluation process, please indicate it in your cover letter. All information received related to an accommodation is kept confidential. To ensure this employment opportunity is accessible to all interested individuals, this posting is available in an alternate format upon request.