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Research

NORTHCOTE AND BRINK PROFESSORSHIP CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Thompson Rivers University invites applications for the Northcote and Brink Professorship. The Northcote and Brink Professorship is funded by the Dr. Tom Northcote and Dr. Bert Brink Endowment, established in March 2005. The Professorship honors the contributions of Northcote and Brink to ecology in British Columbia. The purpose of the Professorship is to “expand Thompson Rivers University’s knowledge of the connection between restoration of ecosystems and the social benefits to communities.”

The Professorship is a prestigious internal award that may be held for up to 3 years at an annual value of \$10,000. The Professorship holder will be a tenured or tenure-track faculty member.

Applications

The Professorship is awarded on a competitive basis and applications should include:

- Research program
 - Long term goals
 - Short term goals
- Program description, including justification for the research and relationship to the objectives of the Professorship, methodology, anticipated outcomes, plan for dissemination of results, plan for securing future external grant support, contribution to the training and education of students.
- Current CV in CCV format.

Decisions will be based on research excellence as indicated by a clearly defined research program designed to “expand Thompson Rivers University’s knowledge of the connection between restoration of ecosystems and the social benefits to communities,” a track record of innovative and peer reviewed research that incorporates a plan for the mobilization of results, a feasible plan for securing future external grant support, and a clear commitment to student training.

Applications should be submitted electronically to research@tru.ca by February 20th. Please indicate award name in subject line of email.



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BACKGROUNDER: THE DR. TOM NORTHCOTE AND DR. BERT BRINK ENDOWMENT

Donated by: Water, Land and Resource Stewardship, formally Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection

Invested by: Thompson Rivers University Foundation

Disbursements managed by: Vice-President Research

Background

The Dr. Tom Northcote and Dr. Bert Brink Endowment was established in March 2005 in honor to the contributions of Northcote and Brink to ecology in British Columbia. The purpose of the professorship is to “expand Thompson Rivers University’s knowledge of the connection between restoration of ecosystems and the social benefits to communities.”

Guidelines

The Professorship is an internal award that may be held for up to 3 years at an annual value of \$10,000. The Professorship holder will be a full time tenured or tenure-track faculty member and awarded on a competitive basis. TRU is not obligated to award this Professorship.

Application and Adjudication

In the fall, preceding commencement of the award in April of the following year, the Office of the Vice President Research will inform the university community that the university is accepting applications for this Professorship.

Professorships are awarded on a competitive basis. The evaluation committee will be chaired by the Vice President Research, and will be comprised of three senior faculty members (Associate or Full Professors) who are at arms’ length from the applicants and not in conflict of interest.

Decisions will be based on inclusive research excellence as indicated by a clearly defined research program, a track record of innovative research that incorporates a plan for the mobilization of results and inclusion of student training. In accord with the Tri-Agency Statement on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, the adjudication process will apply EDI principles in its pursuit of excellence in research outcomes and training. Funds will be used in a manner that complies with Tri-Agency guidelines.

Reporting

The Professorships will provide annual reports that include a year-end actual financial statement, progress in meeting objectives and/or explanation of any deviation from objectives, publications, students hired, and any difficulties in achieving objectives.

The reports will be provided to the Office of the Vice-President Research.

The Recipient will acknowledge support provided by the Professorship, specifically recognizing the Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship, on any reports or publications resulting from this award.