

The Centre for Critical Qualitative Health Research (CQ) within the Division of Social and Behavioural Health Sciences at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health invites applications for a Director of the Centre. This is not a full-time position.

CQ is a leading University of Toronto Research and Teaching Unit committed to building capacity for critical and theoretically informed qualitative inquiry into health. CQ was founded more than a decade ago and has evolved into a vibrant network of critical qualitative health scholars with fellowship programs, a cross-faculty teaching mission, and a continuous stream of innovation in critical qualitative methodology. Although CQ is based in the Dalla Lana School of Public Health, researchers affiliated with CQ work across the University of Toronto and at leading universities around Ontario and the world. Recently reinforced by two generous gifts, CQ is now looking for a senior scholar who will help lead CQ into the future.

The ideal candidate for the director of CQ will be an accomplished scholar with a track record in educational or research administration. The successful candidate will: 1) demonstrate the ability to lead, support, and invigorate colleagues and students in a variety of academic and research settings who are engaged in critical qualitative research and teaching; 2) be an experienced educator with a commitment to teaching and mentoring evidenced by positive teaching evaluations and innovation in teaching critical qualitative methods; 3) have a history of funded and published critical qualitative health research and evident interest in the methodological foundations of the field; 4) have knowledge of and experience with the distinctive features of applied qualitative, social science-grounded research practice and education in the health sciences. The successful candidate will have their own research program but will be expected to dedicate a substantial portion of their time to the leadership of CQ.

The successful candidate will be expected to lead the development of large multi-faculty research grants, renew CQ's strong educational programming, and continue to build on CQ's legacy of impact on policy and practice. Specific terms of support for this role will be negotiated with the successful candidate but it is not a full-time position. Initial appointment to this role will be for five years and it can be renewed following a successful review.

CQ is based at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health and the director will report to the dean of the Dalla Lana School of Public Health and hold some form of appointment (pre-existing, part-time, status-only, or cross-appointment) a position in the Division of Social and Behavioural Health Sciences at the School.

Established by Royal Charter in 1827, the University of Toronto is the largest and most prestigious research-intensive university in Canada, located in one of the world's great cities. The University has more than 19,000 faculty and staff, some 73,000 students enrolled across three campuses, an annual budget of \$1.8 billion, including \$376 million in externally funded research, an additional \$469 million in research funding in the affiliated teaching hospitals, and one of the premier research libraries in North America.

The University of Toronto is an outstanding research university with a history of excellence in



innovation and scholarship in public health and preventive medicine. The Dalla Lana School of Public Health opened in 2008 and has Faculty status at the University. It continues the legacy of excellence, scholarship, and practice of the University of Toronto School of Hygiene, founded in 1923 as one of North America's first Schools of Public Health. Current areas of interest among division members include cancer and infectious disease epidemiology, epidemiology of mental health and addictions, epidemiology of disability, climate change and public health, Indigenous health, global health, and artificial intelligence as applied to health research. The school's scholarly priorities are outlined in its strategic plan, which is available at <http://www.dlsph.utoronto.ca/initiative/strategic-planning/>.

Applicants are expected to seek funding from tri-council agencies to support development of a research program. The selected candidate will be eligible to participate in an internal competition for a subsequent Canada Research Chair nomination. The culture of the Division of Social and Behavioural Health Sciences Epidemiology at DLSPH is one that regards teaching and mentorship as fundamental to scholarship, and excellence in teaching and mentorship is required. All successful candidates, without exception, will be required to teach according to workload policy and provide mentorship and supervision for graduate students and post-doctoral fellows.

Interested candidates should contact the Dean of the Dalla Lana School of Public Health (dean.dlsph@utoronto.ca) with a letter describing their vision for CQ, a short history of their leadership experience, and their major research foci. They should also include an up-to-date copy of their CV. References will be contacted after candidates are short-listed.

All application materials, including letters of reference, must be received by October 15th 11:59pm.

