

Assistant Professor in Islamic Studies

Faculty of Arts

The Faculty of Arts at the University of Alberta invites applications for a full-time tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor in Islamic Studies, with a starting date of July 1, 2019. Applicants must hold a PhD in a humanities or social science discipline with a research focus on Islamic Studies, or have a strong expectation of completing such a PhD before July 1, 2019.

The position will be housed in the department or program in the Faculty of Arts most appropriate to the candidate's degree (see https://www.ualberta.ca/arts/departments for a list of the departments and programs; a joint appointment shared between two departments or programs is also possible). Applicants must demonstrate outstanding potential for teaching and research, including the ability to conduct primary-source research in an Islamic language. Responsibilities will include maintaining an active research program, teaching in undergraduate and graduate programs, and graduate student research supervision.

The ability to teach broadly in the area of Islamic Studies and/or socio-cultural, historical and political issues in Muslim contexts is a requirement for the position. Applicants with a contemporary research focus are especially encouraged to apply.

Established in 1908 as a board-governed, public institution, the University of Alberta has earned the reputation of being one of the best universities in Canada based on strengths in teaching, research, and service. The University serves over 39,000 students in almost 400 undergraduate, graduate and professional programs (<u>www.ualberta.ca</u>). The Faculty of Arts is the oldest and most diverse faculty on campus and is one of the largest research and teaching centres in Western Canada (<u>www.arts.ualberta.ca</u>). The University's main campus is located in <u>Edmonton</u>, Alberta's capital city. The Edmonton metropolitan area is the sixth largest in the country with a population of approximately one million.

Edmonton and the University of Alberta are situated on Treaty 6 territory and are a traditional meeting ground and home for many Indigenous Peoples, including Cree, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, Dene, Métis, and Nakota Sioux.

Salary will be commensurate with experience and qualifications in accordance with the Faculty Agreement as per the negotiated salary scales: <u>https://www.ualberta.ca/faculty-and-staff/pay-tax-information/salary-scales</u>. This position offers a comprehensive benefits package, which can be viewed athttp://www.hrs.ualberta.ca/MyEmployment/Agreements.aspx.

Apply online at https://www.careers.ualberta.ca/Competition/A107337623/ by submitting:

- *a cover letter* that includes highlights of the candidate's profile and the names of the three referees (see below for more information)
- a curriculum vitae (CV)
- a *research statement* that outlines the applicant's main areas of current and future research (submit under "Research Plan")
- *a writing sample* (submit under "List of Publications")

a *teaching dossier* that includes a brief teaching philosophy, evidence of (potential for) teaching
effectiveness, and sample course outline(s) (submit as an attachment under "Statement of
Teaching/Research Interests")

Applicants are further expected to contact their referees and arrange to have them send their letters of reference addressed to the search committee; these letters should be submitted via e-mail to <u>ois@ualberta.ca</u>. Please enter "Reference Letter – Position in Islamic Studies" in the subject line.

To assist the University in complying with mandatory reporting requirements of the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (R203 (3)(e), please include the first digit of your Canadian Social Insurance Number at the bottom of your cover letter. If you do not have a Canadian Social Insurance Number, please indicate this at the bottom of your cover letter.

Questions about this position may be addressed to Dr. Ryan Dunch, Director of Religious Studies, <u>religdir@ualberta.ca</u>.

Review of applications will start on January 2, 2019. Only those applicants selected for interviews will be contacted.