The Department of English invites applications for a full time, tenure-track appointment in creative writing at the Assistant Professor level, to begin August 1, 2022. The successful candidate will teach graduate workshops in the MFA program in Writing, supervise MFA theses, and perform leadership and administrative duties associated with the MFA program. The appointment will also involve teaching undergraduate classes in creative writing as well as administrative work in the department. The successful candidate will be active in publishing their creative work and engaged in the wider writing community.

Our Department’s vision is to be a place where many peoples come together to engage in mutually respectful relations and dialogues. We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is Treaty 6 territory and traditional Métis homeland, and we acknowledge the diverse Indigenous peoples whose footsteps have marked this territory for centuries. The Department of English has twenty-one permanent faculty and provides undergraduate and graduate education in a variety of subject areas, with areas of concentration for graduate studies in Creative Writing, Indigenous Literature, Cultural Studies, Digital Studies, Canadian Literature, and Modernist Studies. English faculty collaborate with and teach in programs in Women's and Gender Studies, Classical, Medieval, and Renaissance Studies, Digital Culture and New Media, and the Department of Drama. Established in 2011, the MFA in writing now has fifty-six graduates and offers students a six-month mentorship as part of their program.

The College of Arts & Science offers a dynamic combination of programs in the humanities and fine arts, the social sciences and the sciences. There are over 10,000 undergraduate and graduate students in the College and 312 faculty, including 10 Canada Research Chairs. The College emphasizes student and faculty research, scholarly and artistic work, interdisciplinary programs, community outreach and international opportunities.

The University of Saskatchewan’s main campus is situated on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. The University of Saskatchewan is located in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, a city with a diverse and thriving economic base, a vibrant arts community and a full range of leisure opportunities. The University has a reputation for excellence in teaching, research and scholarly activities and offers a full range of undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs to a student population of over 25,000.

A completed MFA in writing or commensurate professional credentials are required. A PhD in English or creative writing would be an asset. We are seeking candidates who have an established and dynamic publication record, with expertise in poetry, poetics, and at least one other genre, and who are committed to experiential learning and mentoring of students. Preference will be given to those with experience in teaching and graduate supervision. Demonstrated ability to work with a diverse student body, and especially Indigenous students, would be highly valued.
Salary band for this position for the 2020-2021 academic year, at the rank of Assistant Professor, is $96,301 to $115,723.

This position includes a comprehensive benefits package which includes a dental, health and extended vision care plan; pension plan, life insurance (compulsory and voluntary), academic long term disability, sick leave, travel insurance, death benefits, an employee assistance program, a professional expense allowance, and a flexible health and wellness spending program.

Interested candidates must submit, via email, a cover letter, a curriculum vitae, representative samples of published work, and a teaching dossier including statement of teaching philosophy, evidence of teaching excellence, and sample syllabi. Applicants should arrange for these and three letters of reference to be sent directly to:

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Due to federal immigration requirements, we also ask candidates to indicate whether they are Canadian citizens, permanent residents, or are otherwise already authorized to work at this position for the duration of the appointment, with an explanation if this last category is indicated.

Review of applications will begin 7 February 2022; however, applications will be accepted and evaluated until the position is filled. The anticipated start date is August 1, 2022.

The University believes equity, diversity, and inclusion strengthen the community and enhance excellence, innovation and creativity. We are dedicated to recruiting individuals who will enrich our work and learning environments. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.

We are committed to providing accommodations to those with a disability or medical necessity. If you require an accommodation in order to participate in the recruitment process, please notify us and we will work together on the accommodation request.

The University of Saskatchewan’s main campus is situated on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. We pay our respects to the First Nations and Métis ancestors of this place and reaffirm our relationship with one another. Together, we are uplifting Indigenization to a place of prominence at the University of Saskatchewan.