

# Proposed Chair Title

Expression of Interest for Canada Research Chair Tier 2  
Submitted by Faculty/School of XXXX  
Day Month, 2023

## *Instructions:*

- *The use of the EOI headings provided below is highly recommended. Submissions must not exceed 3 pages.*
- *Electronic submissions must be submitted to the Office of Research and Innovation Services (ORIS) via Sola Fasunwon (sola.fasunwon@uleth.ca).*
  - o *EOI: Before 4 pm on **31 July 2023** for the SSHRC Chair*  
*Acknowledgement of receipt of submissions will be provided.*
- *The selection process will include review and recommendations by representatives of the Office of Research & Innovation Services, Dean(s), GFC Research Planning Committee and decision by the Vice-President Research.*

## 1. Rationale for Research Chair Allocation

- research strengths in the proposed field
- expected ability to leverage additional resources
- contribution to the creation and mobilization of knowledge through training of graduate students and highly qualified personnel, outreach activities and interdisciplinary collaboration, and the potential of attracting a high-calibre candidate

## 2. Description of the Research Environment

- The proposed CRC should build on an established area of strength or catalyze an emerging research niche. This description should include details on the current environment within the research area at the University of Lethbridge, and consideration of how existing infrastructure and research collaborations on campus could be harnessed to support a CRC in the proposed theme.

## 3. Strategic Research Plan

- demonstration of fit with the University's Strategic Research Plan and expected impact on the research profile of the Faculty/School and the University. The Strategic Research Plan 2020-2023 is available at <https://www.ulethbridge.ca/planning-and-reporting/research-plan>
- Alignment with relevant provincial and national priorities and the positioning of the University with respect to the Research Chair in the Alberta / Canada context. Recommended reference to the Alberta Technology and Innovation Strategy (ATIS) <https://open.alberta.ca/publications/alberta-technology-and-innovation-strategy>.

## 4. Plan for faculty line

- Include a detailed recruitment strategy that helps the institution meet its CRC equity, diversity and inclusion targets, objectives, and measurement strategies for the CRC's four designated groups: women, racialized individuals, persons with disabilities, and Indigenous Peoples, as well as other underrepresented groups in compliance with federal EDI requirements. NOTE: to meet our

equity targets plan as set by the CRC program these upcoming chairs must identify as women.

- Explanation of how the Faculty/School will ensure that there is adequate and equitable institutional support for the candidate.
- How will the Faculty/School assume the Chairholder's position and budgeted faculty line at the conclusion of the CRC term?

Within sections 1 and 2, as relevant, Faculties/Schools may also choose to articulate the potential impact of a new CRC allocation to the Faculty/School in terms of:

- a. expanding, growing, and increasing research activity and impact
- b. substantially improving national and international reputation
- c. increasing ability to recruit highly qualified student researchers
- d. enhancing or leveraging government and private industry funding opportunities
- e. increasing rates of external funding success
- f. developing critical mass in a strategic research field
- g. closing a knowledge or skills gap in an existing high-impact research group