



Faculty of Medicine

Assistant or Associate Professor
Division of Community Health and Humanities

This is a tenure track, faculty position at the level of Assistant or Associate Professor in the Faculty of Medicine, Memorial University of Newfoundland. The position will be based at the Labrador Institute, Happy Valley-Goose Bay, with full access to the Institute's facilities. The position also will have access to resources within the Faculty of Medicine, Memorial University. This position reports to the Associate Dean, Division of Community Health and Humanities.

The successful candidate will be expected to develop their own research agenda relative to the needs of the northern and aboriginal peoples of the region in collaboration with local communities and health workers. In addition, it is expected that the position will assist in building local research capacity including advising/collaborating on research proposal development, applying for grants, the utilization and creation of databases and the dissemination of knowledge. It is anticipated that the position will work closely with Labrador-Grenfell Health; the Labrador Institute; the Nunatsiavut Department of Health and Social Development, Sheshashit Innu Health Commission and Mushuau Innu Health Commission; and communities in the region. The individual would be expected to participate in appropriate activities of the Division of Community Health and Humanities, Faculty of Medicine including: teaching, strategic planning and student support.

Candidates must have knowledge of northern and aboriginal health issues and the ability to develop a productive related research program supported by external funding. Ideally, candidates should possess a PhD in an appropriate health-related field. However, candidates who do not possess a PhD but have relevant experience and are willing to commit to a PhD program will be considered. The successful candidate will have experience in interdisciplinary collaboration, experience in community-based participatory research, and an appreciation for the ethical complexities of health research involving aboriginal peoples.

A completed earned doctorate is required for the appointee to receive the rank of Assistant Professor or Associate Professor and to be in a tenure-track position. If a successful candidate has not completed an earned doctorate, he/she shall be appointed to a regular term, non-renewable three-year appointment at the rank of Assistant Professor. If the candidate completes all the requirements for the doctorate during the first 24 months of the term appointment, he/she shall begin a tenure-track appointment following completion of the requirements of the degree. To be appointed at the rank of Associate Professor, candidates must have the current rank of Associate Professor or be in the 6th year of service as an Assistant Professor with appointment at the higher rank as recommended by the Search Committee and the Dean.

This position is based in Happy Valley-Goose Bay a community of 8,600 and an administrative center for Labrador. Happy Valley-Goose Bay is good place for bringing up families and offers great opportunities for outdoors activities. Innu, Inuit, Labrador Métis are part of the diverse culture in the region.

The Labrador Institute of Memorial University was established to stimulate, coordinate, and support University projects to promote the well-being of the people of Labrador and to expand the Labrador knowledge base. Its location in Happy Valley-Goose Bay increases the opportunity to work directly with aboriginal groups and to be attuned to the Labrador context and issues. The Institute identifies research opportunities in which the capabilities of the University can address community concerns and contribute to increased knowledge and skills in Labrador. The research center in Happy Valley-Goose Bay will be within the area designated as the Canadian Circumpolar Region and as such provide enhanced opportunities for obtaining research grants.

Memorial University is committed to employment equity and encourages applications from qualified women and men, visible minorities, aboriginal people, and persons with disabilities.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian Citizens and Permanent Residents will be given priority.

Memorial University is the largest university in Atlantic Canada. As the province's only university, Memorial plays an integral role in the education and cultural life of Newfoundland and Labrador. Offering diverse undergraduate and graduate programs to more than 18,000 students, Memorial provides a distinctive and stimulating environment for learning.

Applications should be received by the Division of Community Health and Humanities by March 31st, 2010.

Applications should be addressed to: Associate Dean, Division of Community Health and Humanities, Faculty of Medicine, Memorial University, A1B 3V6. Applications can be submitted electronically to brendah@mun.ca or by fax: (709) 777-7382. Please quote **VPA # MEDI 2008 001**