



Faculty (USFA)

**Tenure Track Faculty Position  
Academic Learning Health Systems:**

**Integrating Multiple Missions of Academic Medicine and its Pedagogy**

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Applications are invited from qualified individuals for a tenure track faculty position in Academic Learning Health Systems at the assistant professor level in the Department of Community Health and Epidemiology, College of Medicine.

Learning Health Systems (LHSs) help improve Health System delivery and support rapid learning cycles grounded in collaborative health research, innovation, shared decision making, and quality improvement. However, the operationalization of LHSs, especially in the Canadian context, has yet to be well articulated. Specifically, how LHSs can incorporate the assets of an Academic Medical Center is an under researched area.

The successful candidate's research program will be situated with attention to an Academic Learning Health System that spans the full spectrum of embedded academic health expertise in health system sciences and will serve as a bridge between Public and Population Health and Clinical Services. Specific topic areas or issues to be investigated are expected to be developed with the successful applicant.

In addition to leading an independent and active research program, responsibilities will include teaching and supervision of undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate trainees. Within the College of Medicine, the successful candidate will contribute to an anticipated Certificate in Improvement Science and will work in close collaboration with the College of Medicine's Faculty Development Director. Participation in relevant administrative activities, committee work, public and professional service appropriate to rank are also expected.

**The Department**

The Department of Community Health and Epidemiology is a dynamic, cohesive academic department comprising 17 core faculty, 34 associates and adjuncts, and 18 medical faculty in the Division of Public Health and Preventive Medicine. We have active MSc and PhD graduate programs and make a vital contribution to the undergraduate education of medical and health sciences students, and postgraduate education with the Public Health and Preventative Medicine Residency Program.

Areas of current research excellence in the department include child health, Indigenous peoples' health, global health, environmental health, social epidemiology, health inequities, biostatistical applications to chronic disease, public health practice, and knowledge exchange. An emphasis on health equity, social justice, and community engagement underpins all our work. We have strong relationships with diverse community-based organizations and government agencies with active partnerships that include the Saskatchewan Population Health

Research and Evaluation Unit, the Saskatchewan Health Authority, the Saskatchewan Centre for Patient-Oriented Research, the Canadian Centre for Rural and Agricultural Health, and the Community-University Institute for Social Research.

### **The College of Medicine**

The College of Medicine is the provincial medical school with over 400 medical students, 450 residents, and 1800 medical faculty. We have just launched our new strategic plan, [Paving Our Path to 2030](#).

**Vision: Where we are going.** Rooted in Saskatchewan communities, we shape a healthier future.

**Mission: What we do, how we do it, and for whom.** Our college cultivates the health and well-being of all peoples of Saskatchewan through service, education, scholarship and research that matter.

**Values: Who we are.** Our college is guided by a set of core values: accountability, belonging, collaboration, curiosity and well-being. These values define what is important to us and are demonstrated through our everyday actions and decisions.

**The University of Saskatchewan**'s main campus is situated on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis in the city of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Saskatoon has a diverse and thriving economic base, a vibrant arts community with a world class art museum, and a wide range of seasonal leisure opportunities. The University has a reputation for excellence in teaching, research, and scholarly activities and offers a full spectrum of undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs to a student population of over 26,000. The University of Saskatchewan is strongly committed to a diverse and inclusive workplace that empowers all employees to reach their full potential. All members of the university community share a responsibility for developing and maintaining an environment in which differences are valued and inclusiveness is practiced.

### **Qualifications**

Applicants must have completed a PhD focused on LHSs and have demonstrated ability to work collaboratively to achieve the goals of embedded research with health systems. A record of research excellence will be reflected in peer-reviewed publications, presentations, and knowledge translation activities with non-academic organizations and partners, commensurate with stage of career. Demonstration of potential to attract external research funding is important. Candidates must have strong interpersonal, leadership, communication, and engagement skills, and capacity to create and sustain partnerships with diverse stakeholders.

The current salary band for Assistant Professor is \$ 113,527-135,535.

This position has 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; detailed curriculum vitae; teaching portfolio; and contact information for three references in support of your application to:

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Review of applications will begin April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Applications received after this date will not be considered. Proposed start date is July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, negotiable.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. We ask candidates to indicate whether they are a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, 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.

Indigenous candidates, or candidates who engage in Indigenous research, scholarly, or artistic work; teaching; or practice of professional skills may choose an advocate who is knowledgeable of the applicant's expertise in and contributions to these fields. Please notify us as part of your application package if this is an option you wish to pursue.

We are committed to accessibility. If there are circumstances which could impact your participation in the recruitment process, please notify us so we may address this together.

We continue to grow our partnerships with Indigenous communities across the province, nationally, and internationally and value the unique perspective that Indigenous employees provide to strengthen these relationships. Verification of Indigenous Membership/Citizenship at the University of Saskatchewan is led and determined by the *deybwewin | taapwaywin | tapwewin*: Indigenous Truth policy and Standing Committee in accordance with the processes developed to enact the policy. Successful candidates that assert Indigenous membership/citizenship will be asked to complete the verification process of Indigenous membership/citizenship with documentation.