

Jarislowsky Chair in Trust and Political Leadership

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Trent University [invites applications](#) from outstanding academics to be the inaugural **Jarislowsky Chair in Trust and Political Leadership**. Supported by a \$2 million investment from the Jarislowsky Foundation, this prestigious appointment is one of five new endowed chairs at liberal arts and science universities across Canada who will form the first-ever network of its kind focused on educating tomorrow's leaders in government, politics and the public service.

Trent's **Jarislowsky Chair in Trust and Political Leadership** will be an eminent scholar of political ethics and governance appointed to the Department of Political Studies, Department of Philosophy and/or another Humanities and Social Sciences department at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor. The inaugural Chair term will be for five years (with the possibility of renewal for one additional five-year term) to be held concurrently with the Trent University faculty appointment. The appointment will commence September 1, 2022 or thereafter.

Trent University is the top-ranked primarily undergraduate university in Ontario, Canada with a record of excellence in teaching, research and community-engaged scholarship. With access to a significant annual allocation of funding from a \$4 million endowment, Trent's **Jarislowsky Chair in Trust and Political Leadership** will develop an innovative program of scholarship (teaching and research) that will expand knowledge and training in the ethical practice of politics, fiduciary responsibility and democratic governance. This is an exciting opportunity for an exceptional candidate to enhance Trent's areas of strength in political theory and ethics in alignment with Trent's strategic priorities. Trent's Jarislowsky Chair will be expected to lead a new interdisciplinary specialization in ethics, politics and governance with a particular regional emphasis on the governments, politics and public sectors of Ontario. The Chair also will be expected to establish partnerships that foster experiential learning, research and career opportunities for students.

Trent's Jarislowsky Chair will be a founding member of the national **Network of Jarislowsky Chairs in Trust and Political Leadership** made up of five endowed Chairs at Acadia University, l'Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières (in collaboration with l'École Nationale d'Administration Publique), Trent University, the University of Lethbridge and Vancouver Island University. The aim of the pan-Canadian network is to educate the next generation of politicians and public sector leaders in ethics, democratic values and responsible governance within the contexts of Canada's diverse citizenship, democracy and commitment to meaningful Truth and Reconciliation. The Jarislowsky Chairs network will offer innovative academic programs and experiential learning opportunities. The Jarislowsky Chairs network will work collaboratively to develop, improve and promote communities of practice in ethics and fiduciary responsibility in political and governance decision making across Canada.

Information about Trent's **Jarislowsky Chair in Trust and Political Leadership** can be found at www.trentu.ca/artsci/jarislowsky with information about the departments of Political Studies and Philosophy available at www.trentu.ca/politicalstudies and www.trentu.ca/philosophy.

Eligibility

To be eligible for this appointment, candidates must have a Ph.D. in Philosophy, or Political Studies, or a closely related discipline in the Humanities and Social Sciences. The successful candidate will demonstrate the ability to fulfil the teaching, research and service expectations of a tenured Trent University faculty member, including teaching undergraduate and graduate courses, maintaining a high quality internationally significant research program, and providing leadership within and beyond the university commensurate with a senior academic appointment. The successful candidate will also demonstrate the ability to fulfill the national collaborative leadership expectations of the Network of Jarislowsky Chairs in Trust and Political Leadership. Expert knowledge in the governments, politics and public sectors in the Ontario context where Trent University is located will be considered an asset.

To Apply

To apply for this prestigious appointment, eligible candidates should submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae, a summary of their research program (research prospectus) and samples of most significant publications, a teaching portfolio including a statement of teaching philosophy and evidence of excellence in teaching and mentoring, a statement of equity, diversity and inclusion in teaching, research and service, and any other supporting materials. Candidates should also submit the names of three (3) referees who may be contacted to submit letters of reference.

Please send applications to jarislowskychair@trentu.ca attention to Chair, Jarislowsky Chair in Trust and Political Leadership Hiring Committee. Applications will only be accepted in PDF format via email.

Enquiries about Trent's Jarislowsky Chair in Trust and Political Leadership should be sent to Dr. Mark Skinner, Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences, markskinner@trentu.ca.

Review of applications will begin on July 8, 2022 and will be accepted until the position is filled.

Trent University is actively committed to creating a diverse and inclusive campus community and encourages applications from all qualified candidates. Trent University offers accommodation for applicants with disabilities in its recruitment processes. If you require accommodation during the recruitment process or require an accessible version of a document/publication, please contact jarislowskychair@trentu.ca.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.