

Assistant Professor - User Experience Design/Human-Computer Interaction

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Faculty/Division: Faculty of Information

Department: Faculty of Information

Campus: St. George (Downtown Toronto)

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Description:

The Faculty of Information at the University of Toronto invites applications for a full-time, tenure stream faculty position in User Experience Design (UXD) or Human-Computer Interaction (HCI) at the rank of Assistant Professor. The appointment is expected to begin July 1, 2023.

The Faculty of Information is a research-led Faculty committed to educating the next generation of professional and academic leaders in Information, who join us in transforming society through collaboration, innovation, and knowledge creation. We are guided by core values that include engagement with cultural, social, political, and ethical issues in information to benefit society; and transparency, accountability, and public responsibility. With an outstanding and award-winning faculty, our key strengths are the quality of our interdisciplinary research, the abilities of our graduate students, close ties across the university, and committed alumni. Our strategic priorities are excellence through interdisciplinarity, impact through partnerships, and equity through fostering inclusive environments. We are especially proud of the calibre, excellence, academic engagement, and diversity of our students.

We seek applicants whose research interests are in areas such as user interface design and evaluation methods, information visualization, sustainability, accessibility, theoretical foundations of HCI, design of systems and practices to access, share, and manage knowledge, information retrieval and universal design. Industrial experience in a related area will be a strong asset. We are especially interested in exceptional candidates who transcend traditional research topics and who complement our Faculty's existing strengths.

Applicants must have a PhD in Information, Computer Science, Human-Computer Interaction (HCI), User Experience Design (UXD), or a related field by the time of appointment or shortly thereafter, with a demonstrated record of excellence in research and teaching.

The successful candidate will be expected to conduct innovative and independent research at the highest international level and to establish an outstanding, competitive, and externally funded research program. The successful candidate must have a proven record of research excellence, experience with working across faculties/departments and disciplines, demonstrated excellence in teaching, and the demonstrated ability and ambition to advance our Faculty's rigorous, highly-ranked Master of Information, Bachelor of Information, and PhD programs.

Evidence of excellence in research will be demonstrated primarily by publications or forthcoming publications in leading journals or conferences in the field, the submitted research statement, presentations at significant conferences, awards and accolades, and strong endorsements by referees. We also welcome non-traditional demonstrations of research impact, including for example patents and creative professional activities. Research excellence will be evaluated commensurate with the career stage of the candidate, taking into consideration the life, trajectory and any special circumstances (e.g., career interruptions) as outlined in the submitted materials.

Evidence of excellence in teaching will be provided through teaching accomplishments, the teaching dossier (with required materials outlined below) submitted as part of the application, as well as strong letters of reference.

The successful candidate must also provide demonstrated evidence of readiness as a research supervisor in the application materials, as they will be expected to undertake undergraduate and graduate research supervision and teaching, and to perform standard professional and administrative activities typical of a research-intensive university-level department.

As part of the University of Toronto, the Faculty of Information offers the opportunity to teach, research, and live in one of the most diverse cities in the world. We seek candidates who have demonstrated a commitment to equity, diversity, inclusion, and the promotion of a respectful and collegial learning and working environment through their application materials. Candidates therefore must submit a statement of contributions to equity and diversity, which might cover topics such as (but not limited to): teaching or research that incorporates a focus on underrepresented communities, the development of inclusive pedagogies, or the mentoring of students from underrepresented groups.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

All qualified candidates are invited to apply online by clicking the link below. Applications must include:

- a cover letter;
 - a current curriculum vitae, that includes a list of recent or forthcoming publications;
 - a research statement outlining current and future research interests;
 - up to three samples of recent scholarly work (e.g., an article or book chapter);
 - a detailed teaching dossier including a statement of teaching philosophy, a summary of teaching experience, interests, and accomplishments, sample course materials, and teaching evaluations;
 - a statement of contributions to equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility (as outlined above);
- and,

- three letters of reference, to be submitted by the referees (see below).

Applicants must provide the name and contact information of three references. The University of Toronto's recruiting tool will automatically solicit and collect letters of reference from each once an application is submitted (this happens overnight). Applicants remain responsible for ensuring that references are submitted (on letterhead, dated and signed) by the closing date.

All application materials must be submitted online via the link below. Submission guidelines can be found at: <http://uoft.me/how-to-apply> If you have questions about this position, please contact dean.ischool@utoronto.ca.

The closing date for applications is December 19, 2022 and all application materials, including reference letters, must be received by then.

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

Diversity Statement

The University of Toronto embraces Diversity and is building a culture of belonging that increases our capacity to effectively address and serve the interests of our global community. We strongly encourage applications from Indigenous Peoples, Black and racialized persons, women, persons with disabilities, and people of diverse sexual and gender identities. We value applicants who have demonstrated a commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion and recognize that diverse perspectives, experiences, and expertise are essential to strengthening our academic mission.

As part of your application, you will be asked to complete a brief Diversity Survey. This survey is voluntary. Any information directly related to you is confidential and cannot be accessed by search committees or human resources staff. Results will be aggregated for institutional planning purposes. For more information, please see <http://uoft.me/UP>.

Accessibility Statement

The University strives to be an equitable and inclusive community, and proactively seeks to increase diversity among its community members. Our values regarding equity and diversity are linked with our unwavering commitment to excellence in the pursuit of our academic mission.

The University is committed to the principles of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). As such, we strive to make our recruitment, assessment and selection processes as accessible as possible and provide accommodations as required for applicants with disabilities.

If you require any accommodations at any point during the application and hiring process, please contact uoft.careers@utoronto.ca.