



### Assistant Professor (Tenure Track) | Department of Psychiatry

The Department of Psychiatry, in conjunction with BC Children's Hospital Research Institute and Djavad Mowafaghian Centre for Brain Health, invites applications for a full-time (1.0 FTE) faculty position at the rank of Assistant Professor (tenure track). The ideal candidate will be a clinician scientist with an interest in translational psychiatry with a focus on high-complexity psychiatric youth with depression. The position will be based in BC Children's Hospital Research Institute and the successful candidate will be able to hold a concurrent appointment as an Investigator within the BC Children's Hospital Research Institute.

**This position is located within a health-care facility. Therefore, this position requires successful verification of full vaccination against Covid-19 provided prior to the start date, as required by the provincial health mandate.**

As part of one of the world's leading universities, the UBC Department of Psychiatry supports outstanding research and engages local, national and global communities. We create an exceptional learning environment, advance mental health research and promote sustainable care for mental illness and addictions. The UBC Department of Psychiatry consists of more than 950 Department members, including academic and clinical faculty, trainees, students and staff. The Department's medical education programs are some of the most widely distributed within the Faculty of Medicine consisting of faculty appointees and trainees located within each of British Columbia's Health Authorities.

The successful candidate will be expected to lead a clinical/research program with a focus on youth with major depression and high clinical complexity to advance understanding of the neurobiological underpinnings of depression and to identify, characterize, and validate different biomarkers that may inform personalized care for young people with depression. The successful candidate will also be expected to participate in the teaching activities of the Department of Psychiatry including teaching in the Master's Program in Translational Psychiatry, giving lectures in the Graduate and Undergraduate Programs in Neuroscience, and providing resident and fellow teaching in adult and child psychiatry didactics. Additionally, the successful candidate will be expected to mentor clinical fellows in research projects, to provide training in advanced translational fMRI methods via workshops and teaching at BCCHR and DMCBH for faculty and students which link adult and pediatric neuroscience research in psychiatry, and to support and teach open-science strategies for translational neuroscience research that includes both children and adults.

The successful candidate will hold an MD with certification from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (i.e. FRCPC) or equivalent qualifications in Psychiatry. The candidate will be expected to have clinical and research background/expertise in youth depression and neuroimaging; experience in discovery of biomarkers would be an asset. At the rank of Assistant Professor, the successful candidate will have demonstrated evidence of ability in teaching, evidence of ability in scholarly activity, and will be expected to provide service to the University and the broader academic and professional community.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. An application package should include a letter of interest outlining the applicant's research, teaching and scholarly activities, accompanied by a detailed curriculum vitae and the names of three references. Please also provide a brief statement (1-2 pages) of the applicant's current or planned contributions to advancing equity, diversity, and inclusion in academic, professional, or community. The application should be directed to:

Dr. Lakshmi Yatham, Professor and Department Head

Department of Psychiatry  
The University of British Columbia  
c/o Vicky Yau, Director of Administration  
Email: [vicky.yau@ubc.ca](mailto:vicky.yau@ubc.ca)

Subject Line: Assistant Professor – Academic Renewal – Youth Depression and Neuroimaging

Additional information can be obtained by visiting [psychiatry.ubc.ca](http://psychiatry.ubc.ca) or by email at [psychiatry.headasst@ubc.ca](mailto:psychiatry.headasst@ubc.ca)

Review of applications will begin on May 1, 2023 and continue until the position is filled. The anticipated start date for this position is July 1 2023, or upon a date to be mutually agreed.

At UBC, we believe that attracting and sustaining a diverse workforce is key to the successful pursuit of excellence in research, innovation, and learning for all faculty, staff and students, and is essential to fostering an outstanding work environment. Our commitment to employment equity helps achieve inclusion and fairness, brings rich diversity to UBC as a workplace, and creates the necessary conditions for a rewarding career.

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The University is committed to creating and maintaining an inclusive and equitable work environment for all members of its workforce. An inclusive work environment presumes an environment where differences are accepted, recognized, and integrated into current structures, planning, and decision-making modes. Within this hiring process we will make efforts to create an inclusive and equitable process for all candidates (including but not limited to people with disabilities). Confidential accommodations are available on request for applicants who are short-listed. Please contact Vicky Yau, Director, Administration via email at [vicky.yau@ubc.ca](mailto:vicky.yau@ubc.ca)

To learn more about UBC's Center for Workplace Accessibility, visit the website here <https://hr.ubc.ca/CWA>.

The **University of British Columbia** is a global centre for research and teaching, consistently ranked among the top 20 public universities in the world. Since 1915, UBC's entrepreneurial spirit has embraced innovation and challenged the status quo. UBC encourages its students, staff and faculty to challenge convention, lead discovery and explore new ways of learning. At UBC, bold thinking is given a place to develop into ideas that can change the world.

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*Equity and diversity are essential to academic excellence. An open and diverse community fosters the inclusion of voices that have been underrepresented or discouraged. We encourage applications from members of groups that have been marginalized on any grounds enumerated under the B.C. Human Rights Code, including sex, sexual*

*orientation, gender identity or expression, racialization, disability, political belief, religion, marital or family status, age, and/or status as a First Nation, Metis, Inuit, or Indigenous person. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.*

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