Canada Research Chair (Tier 1) (CIHR) in Implementation Science (Associate or Full Professor)
Faculty of Health, York University

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Application Deadline: February 6, 2026

The Faculty of Health at York University invites highly qualified applicants for a Tier 1 CIHR Canada Research Chair (CRC) at the rank of Associate or Full Professor in Implementation Science. This appointment is contingent upon successful nomination to the Canada Research Chairs program (http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/). This is a tenure-track appointment to the Professorial Stream to commence on July 1, 2026, or as soon as possible thereafter. The candidate will identify a home department/school to be appointed (Department of Psychology; School of Global Health; School of Health Policy and Management; School of Kinesiology and Health Science; School of Medicine; or School of Nursing) or a joint appointment across two units.

We seek to hire a renowned expert in implementation science whose scholarship promotes systemic uptake of evidence-informed research to drive real-world impact across diverse health contexts. The successful candidate will be a leading scholar in advancing inter- or transdisciplinary implementation science across a diverse range of areas such as mental health, long term and community care, public health, chronic disease prevention/health promotion, health technology adoption, equity-oriented care models, behavioral interventions, or health system strengthening. The successful applicant will contribute to York's strategic priorities by engaging in research that is inclusive and collaborative, mentoring emerging scholars, and fostering partnerships that advance the science of implementation across academic and applied settings. The successful candidate will also demonstrate excellence in applying implementation science to improve health systems, services, and outcomes.

The Canada Research Chairs (CRC) program seeks to attract outstanding researchers for careers at Canadian universities. Tier 1 Chairs are intended for outstanding researchers acknowledged by their peers as world leaders in their fields. Appointment to a Tier 1 Chair is for seven years, is renewable once, and comes with enhanced research support from the program. Nominees for Tier 1 Chair positions must be full professors or associate professors who are expected to be promoted to the full professor level within one or two years of the nomination. Alternatively, if they come from outside the academic sector, nominees must possess the necessary qualifications to be appointed at these levels. Please see the CRC website for further eligibility details.

Recognizing the underrepresentation of women and gender minorities among CRCs, this position is open only to qualified researchers who indicate on the Affirmative Action self-identification form (see below) that they identify as women or gender non-conforming (e.g., genderfluid, nonbinary, Two-Spirit, trans man, trans woman). The appointment is part of the University's Affirmative Action program, which is based on the special program provisions of the Ontario Human Rights Code.

York acknowledges the potential impact of various life circumstances (e.g., illness, disability, caregiving, family commitments) on a candidate's record of research and other achievements. Candidates are encouraged to describe such circumstances and their impact in their application. This information will be taken into careful consideration during the assessment process.

This position is intended to recruit external candidates to add to the University's research strength in the areas identified in this ad.

Candidate Qualifications:[1]

- **Degree:** PhD, MD, or equivalent doctoral degree in health or related field.
- **Scholarship:**
  - A coherent and well-articulated program of research with a specialization in implementation science.
  - A record or generating innovative, substantive, rigorous, implementation science research and a strong track record in obtaining and successfully leading externally funded competitive research and implementation grants.
  - A record of making influential contributions and demonstrating excellence in research (e.g., a record of high-quality publications, including with significant journals in the field; presentations at major conferences; and awards and achievements).
  - A record and expertise in appropriate research designs and measurement in implementation science.
  - A record bridging research, policy, and practice through effective knowledge mobilization.
  - A record of meaningful and mutually beneficial partnerships (locally or internationally) with service providers, advocacy organizations, community partners, other academic institutions, policy makers, or other relevant bodies.
- **Teaching:**
  - A record of excellence in teaching and dedication to students (e.g., teaching accomplishments and pedagogical innovations, including in high priority areas such as experiential education and technology-enhanced learning).
  - Suitability for prompt appointment to the Faculty of Graduate Studies, given that the position will involve graduate teaching and supervision.
  - Capacity to direct the research activities of graduate students and to initiate and raise funds for significant research projects.
- **Additional:**
  - Demonstrated interest in current and emerging issues in the field of implementation science and related topics; able to contribute advice and leadership in the development and study of these issues.
  - Willing to serve as an educational leader, fostering alignment and synergy across academic and research areas and activities at the University; playing a pivotal role in enhancing York's strengths in implementation research and strengthening York's emergence as a globally recognized leader in the field.
  - Demonstrates evidence of engagement and leadership in Equity, Diversity and Inclusivity initiatives.

Hiring Policies:

- Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.
- All York University positions are subject to budgetary approval.
- York is an Affirmative Action (AA) employer and strongly values diversity, including gender and sexual diversity, in its community. Details of the AA Program, which applies to women, members of racialized groups, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities and those who identify as 2SLGBTQ+, can be found here or by contacting Aqsa Ahmed, EDI Program Manager (aqsa517@yorku.ca).

[1] Determined by the Hiring unit and York University, not the CRC program.

- York welcomes and employs scholars from all over the world. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.
- York has a policy on Accommodation in Employment for Persons with Disabilities and is committed to working towards a barrier-free workplace and expanding the accessibility of the workplace to persons with disabilities. Applicants who require accommodation are invited to contact Liane Ginsburg, Chair of the Faculty Search Committee, at lgins@yorku.ca.

Application Process:

- Due date for completed applications: **Has been extended to February 6, 2026**
- Required materials: 1) current CV; 2) cover letter; 3) research dossier (see details below); 4) summary teaching dossier (see details below); and 5) contact information for three (3) referees. Reference letters will only be requested for shortlisted candidates.
- As part of the cover letter, the applicant should clearly indicate the Faculty of Health unit to which they would tentatively like to seek appointment.
- The research dossier should include: a 2-to-3 page statement that describes the body of work the candidate has accomplished to date with clear description of innovation and impact of the applicant's work, a 2-to-3 page research program overview delineating the future direction of their research for the CRC, including overarching goals, current and potential partners, and desired impacts, and three (3) academic articles or book chapters authored by the applicant that best represent this work.
- The summary teaching dossier should include: a 2-to-3 page statement that includes a high-level summary of the applicant's teaching philosophy, classroom teaching experiences (including curriculum or program development), graduate and postdoctoral research supervision, and any other credentials.
- Provide required information regarding your Canadian work status and optional self-identification for Affirmative Action purposes as part of the online application.
- Direct questions about the position to Liane Ginsburg, Chair of the Faculty Search Committee, at lgins@yorku.ca.
- **Submit materials at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HH_CRC_Imple**

Learn More About York:

- York University generates and shares knowledge through our research, teaching and engagement with communities around the world. The 2023-2028 Strategic Research Plan showcases the depth, breadth and ambition of research at York.
- York's commitments to social justice are laid out in our Decolonizing, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Strategy, the Framework & Action Plan on Black Inclusion and the Indigenous Framework for York University.
- Follow the activities and accomplishments of York's faculty, students and staff on YFile.

York University acknowledges its presence on the traditional territory of many Indigenous Nations. The area known as Tkaronto has been care taken by the Anishinabek Nation, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, and the Huron-Wendat. It is now home to many First Nation, Inuit and Métis communities. We acknowledge the current treaty holders, the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory is subject of the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement to peaceably share and care for the Great Lakes region.