



## Assistant Professor (tenure-track)

School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies  
Labrador Campus of Memorial University

Location: Happy Valley-Goose Bay, Labrador

**Closing date:** November 12, 2023 at 11:59pm ADT

### On Innu and Inuit Lands

*The School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies and the Labrador Campus of Memorial University are situated on the homelands of the Innu and Inuit, and we recognize their ancestral and continued ties to these lands and waters. As an institution of higher education in Labrador, we also recognize that we hold shared responsibility for supporting and sustaining the lands, waters, peoples, and cultures of Labrador through research, education, and outreach, and hold a special obligation to ensuring that the needs and priorities of Innu and Inuit guide our programming, structures, activities, and approaches and to Indigenize and decolonize our institution and our programming.*

### The Opportunity:

The School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies at the Labrador Campus of Memorial University in Happy Valley-Goose Bay is seeking to fill a **tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level** in areas related to Arctic, Subarctic, and Northern social sciences, commencing in winter or spring 2024.

### The Labrador Campus of Memorial University

The [Labrador Campus](#) is the newest campus of Memorial University, established in January 2022, building from an over 40-year presence of Memorial in Labrador. Home to the [School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies](#) and the [Pye Centre for Northern Boreal Food Systems](#), the Labrador Campus is a vibrant centre for Northern-focused, Northern-inspired, and Northern-led research, education, and community partnerships. As part of this exciting and historic transformation, the Labrador Campus is developing undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate degrees, diplomas, certificates, and professional development learning opportunities emphasizing land-based and Indigenous-led curriculum and pedagogies, expanding our Northern- and Indigenous-led research activities, developing new infrastructure, creating shared governance models with the three Indigenous groups in

Labrador, and growing our team, including our faculty complement to expand the depth and breadth of our research capacities. For more information, read [In Your Element](#), the strategic commitments and responsibilities plan for the Labrador Campus.

This position is crucial to the growing mandate of the School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies and the Labrador Campus, and to meeting the vision and mission of expanding Indigenous-led education and research capacities in the region. The successful candidate will have the exciting opportunity to contribute to the growth and development of undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate programming; supervise graduate and undergraduate students; support community researchers; work collaboratively with diverse rights-holders and stakeholders on Indigenous-led and Northern-focused research; and be part of a vibrant and dynamic work environment in the North.

It is an exciting time to join the Labrador Campus and be part of a historic moment of growth and development!

### **Job Description**

We are looking for individuals who maintain community, research, and/or teaching relationships in Northern regions. Candidates will have a strong record as an interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary scholar with experience in Indigenous, decolonizing, and/or community-based methods and methodologies, focused on key challenges and opportunities in the North, from social sciences perspectives, including but not limited to:

- community and individual wellness and healing;
- culture and language preservation, promotion, and reclamation;
- food systems, food sovereignty, and food security, including Northern agriculture;
- Indigenous, land-based, and/or placed-based education and pedagogies;
- human-nature connections and relationships;
- cultural, natural, marine, and terrestrial resources and communities;
- human, cultural, and wellbeing dimensions of climate and environmental change;
- archaeology, heritage, history, and culture;
- Indigenous law, governance, and self-determination; *and/or*
- Indigenous and Northern methods and methodologies.

Candidates should normally have a PhD in a cognate area, but applications will be accepted from candidates at the PhD Candidate level (ABD) and who are expected to complete their PhD studies within two years.

### **About Memorial University of Newfoundland and Labrador**

Memorial University is the largest university in Atlantic Canada. As the province's only university, Memorial plays an integral role in the education and cultural life of Newfoundland and Labrador. Offering diverse undergraduate and graduate programs to almost 18,000 students, Memorial University is home to five campuses throughout the province (St. John's Campus, Marine Institute, Signal Hill Campus, Grenfell Campus, and the Labrador Campus), as well as a campus in Harlow, England.

## Application Process

Memorial University is committed to employment equity and diversity and encourages applications from all qualified candidates including women, people from all genders and gender expressions, members of racialized communities, visible minorities, Indigenous Peoples, persons with Disabilities and members of all sexual orientations. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply, however, Indigenous and/or Northern scholars will be given priority. All applicants are invited to identify themselves as a member of an equity-deserving group(s) as appropriate. Applicants cannot be considered as a member of an equity-deserving group(s) unless they complete an employment equity survey. Memorial is committed to providing an inclusive learning and work environment. If there is anything we can do to ensure your full participation during the application process please contact [equity@mun.ca](mailto:equity@mun.ca) directly and we will work with you to make appropriate arrangements.

Salary is commensurate with experience as determined by the Memorial University of Newfoundland Faculty Association (MUNFA) collective agreement. For more information about MUNFA, see <https://munfa.ca/>. This position is subject to final budgetary approval.

The deadline to receive applications is **November 12, 2023**. Applications should include the following:

- A cover letter describing how the applicant meets the criteria for the position and related interests and experiences;
- An up-to-date curriculum vitae;
- A positionality statement, outlining relations with, responsibilities to, and/or connections with Northern and/or Indigenous lands, waters, and Peoples (1 page maximum);
- A statement of research interests (2 pages maximum);
- A statement of teaching interests/philosophy (2 pages maximum);
- The names and addresses of three referees (no letters required at this stage); *and*
- Copies of or links of up to three recent and influential research publications and/or project outputs;

Send applications by November 12, 2023 via email to:

Dr. Ashlee Cunsolo  
Vice-Provost, Labrador Campus  
Dean, School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies  
Labrador Campus of Memorial University

via

Doreen Best  
Senior Administrative Officer  
Email: [doreen.best@mun.ca](mailto:doreen.best@mun.ca)

with the subject heading: **Assistant Professor Applicant\_FIRSTNAME\_LASTNAME**

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