

## Job Title: Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream - Biochemistry

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**Job Category:** Faculty - Teaching Stream (continuing)

**Faculty/Division:** Temerty Faculty of Medicine

**Department:** Dept of Biochemistry

**Campus:** St. George (Downtown Toronto)

### Description:

The Department of Biochemistry in the Temerty Faculty of Medicine at the University of Toronto invites applications for a full-time continuing teaching stream position in the field of Biochemistry. The appointment will be at the rank of Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream with an expected start date of October 1, 2023, or shortly thereafter.

Applicants must hold a PhD degree in biochemistry or a related discipline by the time of appointment or shortly thereafter. The successful candidate will have a demonstrated record of excellence in teaching in biochemistry or related disciplines. We seek candidates whose professional education expertise complements and enhances our existing departmental strengths, particularly in the areas of protein biochemistry, bioinformatics, and molecular biology. Candidates must have a demonstrated record of undergraduate and/or graduate teaching experience that may include lecture preparation, delivery, and assessment. Candidates must also be committed to improving their pedagogical practices, and an interest in the scholarship of teaching and learning.

Evidence for excellence in teaching and pedagogical inquiry can take a variety of forms, including course evaluations, teaching accomplishments, innovative course development, awards and accolades, mentorship activities and/or presentations at educational conferences. Applicants are expected to submit a teaching dossier which must include a strong and reflective teaching statement or philosophy, sample syllabi, course materials and teaching evaluations, as well as strong letters of reference from referees of high standing familiar with their teaching ability.

The successful candidate will be expected to coordinate and teach a variety of undergraduate courses in biochemistry on topics such as protein structure and function, enzyme kinetics, and metabolism, with a particular focus on the range of methodologies upon which this current knowledge is based. Teaching activities may be both lecture- and laboratory-based using a variety of delivery modes (in person, online). Duties will include course administration and coordination, management of Teaching Assistants, development and delivery of course materials and assessments, supporting students in person and electronically, and monitoring and maintaining academic integrity. Experience teaching laboratory courses and/or large enrolment courses would be an asset.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

### About Us

The University of Toronto is one of the world's top-ranked public universities in the five most closely watched international rankings: U.S. News & World Report's Best Global Universities, Times Higher Education's World University Rankings, QS World University Rankings, Shanghai Ranking Consultancy's Academic Ranking of World Universities, and National Taiwan University World University Rankings. The Times Higher Education recently ranked the University second among North American public institutions (after the University of California, Berkeley) and 18th overall. The University of Toronto St. George campus is located in the heart of Toronto, which consistently ranks amongst the most liveable cities in the world.

The Department of Biochemistry's deep and rich tradition of teaching and research excellence dates back to 1907. Over 65 faculty members located on campus or in affiliated hospital-based research institutes are actively engaged in research and the education of undergraduate and graduate students. This includes an established team of teaching stream faculty with a strong commitment to enhancing the student experience, professional development, and pedagogical inquiry. We seek to produce scientifically literate graduates with an in-depth biochemical knowledge at the molecular level and the skills to address current and future health science problems. The successful candidate will possess strong communication and interpersonal skills and the ability to collaborate effectively with colleagues to achieve this goal.

### Application Requirements

All qualified candidates are invited to apply online by clicking the link below. Applications must include a cover letter, CV, a complete teaching dossier which includes a teaching statement, sample syllabi and course materials, and teaching evaluations, and a 1-page Diversity Statement (see below). All application materials must be submitted online.

Applicants must also 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 referee after an application is submitted (this happens overnight). Applicants remain responsible for ensuring that references submit letters (on letterhead, dated and signed). All reference letters must be received for an application to be considered. More details on the automatic reference letter collection, including timelines, are available in the [FAQ](#).

The successful candidate will be expected to bring an inclusive vision and be deeply committed to practically implementing the principles of equity, diversity, inclusion, Indigeneity and accessibility (EDIIA) in teaching and mentorship. Applications must include a 1 page statement on past contributions to EDIIA and specific ideas on how they plan to incorporate EDIIA principles into their teaching activities in the future. Examples of contributions to EDIIA include mentoring of individuals from underrepresented groups; faculty and/or leadership development initiatives; development of inclusive pedagogies; research, scholarship and/or teaching with a focus on underrepresented and historically marginalized communities; and public engagement activities that reach out to marginalized communities.

All application materials, including reference letters, must be received by 11:59pm EST on August 14, 2023.

Incomplete applications will not be processed. Submission guidelines can be found at: <http://uoft.me/how-to-apply>. Your CV and cover letter should be uploaded into the dedicated fields. Please combine additional application materials into one or two files in PDF/MS Word format.

If you have questions about this position, please contact [biochemistry.chair@utoronto.ca](mailto:biochemistry.chair@utoronto.ca)

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](mailto:uoft.careers@utoronto.ca).