



THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

Postdoctoral Fellowship Opportunity

Postdoctoral Fellowship

Area:	International Policy and Trade (IPT)
Duration:	1 year full-time appointment with a possibility of renewal
Start date:	January 1, 2017, or at a mutually agreeable date
Stipend:	\$50,000 (plus benefits and a research allowance)

The School of Public Policy, University of Calgary, invites applications for a post-doctoral position for researchers interested in working in the areas of international trade policy and Canadian export market diversification. The position will support the **International Policy and Trade program**, one of four research divisions within The School of Public Policy.

Potential candidates will have completed a PhD in political science, economics, public policy, or a related field within four (4) years of this posting. Candidates should have a strong background and interest in Canadian trade issues from a policy perspective (as opposed to a purely theoretical one); a geographical interest or expertise in Pacific Rim or ASEAN countries would be considered an asset. Empirical and analytical skills, as well as good communication skills are highly emphasized. The IPT program values the building and maintaining of strong partnerships and collaborative relationships with other organizations and experts, both within Canada and internationally; strong relationship management skills would therefore be considered assets as well. Since we expect the successful applicant to be working in this field, they will be provided with significant time to work on their own related, independent research projects, and will have access to faculty at The School for advice and guidance.

Resources will be available for conference travel and a research stipend is also provided. The applicant is expected to contribute to academic life at The School by attending and contributing to research seminars, organizing an international symposium or conference on Canadian trade issues, contacting authors for commissioning papers, and, of course, advancing their own research.

Application details

Applicants must submit the following documents:

- curriculum vitae
- cover letter with a research statement and a clear description of their trade policy interests
- two research papers (preferably published) in the field of international or Canadian trade policy
- letters from two references

Please send all these documents electronically (PDF file format only) to Dr Jean-Sébastien Rioux at jsrioux@ucalgary.ca. Please use the following subject for your email submission: Postdoctoral application – [Your name]. All applicants are encouraged to apply to this position immediately as the application review will start on October 17, 2016. The position will remain open until filled.

About the International Policy and Trade program at The School of Public Policy

In 2011, The School of Public Policy researched the attitudes of many of Canada's leaders in business, government and academia. We asked what they wanted to see in a new program of international policy studies. The answers were clear and resounding: they asked for a program that was practical, not theoretical; one that provides focus on the economics of international policy, particularly issues related to trade and Canada's ties to emerging markets.

The School of Public Policy took that data and launched an international policy program that reflects what we were told was needed: a pragmatic program, designed to create maximum benefit for Canada in terms of the expansion and security of our international relationships. With this objective in mind, The School has created three priority areas for its international policy work:

- [International Trade & Economics](#)
- [Market Diversification](#)
- [Security & Defence](#)

Position

As a Postdoctoral Fellow you will:

- be a researcher in residence, working with partners in the International Policy & Trade program as part of a research team, under the mentorship of the Scientific Director of International Policy & Trade program and the leadership of The School of Public Policy's Director
- pursue team-based research activities under the mentorship of the Scientific Director of International Policy & Trade program and the leadership of The School of Public Policy's Director
- lead and/or assist with conference programming and manuscript submissions
- lead and/or assist in development of events and activities that relate to the research project(s)
- publish research findings in well-regarded journals in your area of expertise
- present research findings at scholarly conferences and other professional meetings

Successful candidates:

- must have been awarded a PhD in in political science, economics, public policy, or a related field within the 4 years immediately preceding the appointment
- possess a promising record of scholarship in the area of Canadian or international trade policy
- possess excellent communication skills with the proven ability to work co-operatively in a research team
- have previous research experience, preferably in a team setting
- be well-organized and willing to take the lead on organizing one or two events per year (symposium, conference, international guest speakers, etc.)

About The School of Public Policy

The School of Public Policy provides a practical, global and focused perspective on public policy analysis and practice in three focus areas: international policy, economic and social policy, energy and environmental policy. Our mission is to get public policy right in this country. This means strengthening Canada's public service, and bridging the gap between business, government and academia. We fulfil our mission by building capacity in government, producing influential research, improving public policy discourse and providing a global perspective. For scholars, The School of Public offers a vibrant and interactive research environment.

About the University of Calgary

The University of Calgary combines the best of long-established university traditions with the City of Calgary's vibrant energy and diversity. The university is home to scholars in 14 faculties. More than 31,000 students are currently enrolled in undergraduate, graduate and professional degree programs across campus.

About Calgary

Named a cultural capital of Canada and one of the best places to live in the world, Calgary is a city of leaders – in business, community, philanthropy and volunteerism. Residents of Calgary benefit from the strongest economy in the nation and enjoy more days of sunshine per year than any other major Canadian city. Calgary is less than an hour's drive from the majestic Rocky Mountains and boasts the most extensive urban pathway and bikeway network in North America.