The School of Health and Exercise Sciences at the University of British Columbia - Okanagan campus invites applications for the position of Assistant Professor (tenure track) in Neuromechanics, with an anticipated start date of July 1, 2022.

The School seeks an individual with demonstrated expertise in an area of neuromuscular physiology or biomechanics that will complement and extend the research activities conducted with human participants by members of the Sensorimotor Neuroscience and Neuromuscular Physiology group. Moreover, it is desirable that the candidate’s program of research blends basic scientific inquiry and applied work to the study of either chronic (e.g., healthy aging or neurological disorder) or acute (e.g., fatigue, training, or injury) interventions, with a focus on functional movement. The candidate must have a Ph.D. in Kinesiology or a related discipline and, although not required, postdoctoral training or experience as an independent investigator would be advantageous. A strong record of high-quality publications in peer-reviewed journals is essential because the candidate is expected to have substantial potential to secure competitive external funding for their program of research. Further, the candidate is expected to provide evidence of excellence in teaching at the undergraduate and/or graduate levels. Teaching areas to which the candidate may be asked to contribute include, introductory anatomy, clinical neuromuscular physiology, and neuromechanics. Finally, it is vital that the candidate can provide effective supervision of Masters and Doctoral students, as well as being able to make contributions to the broader academic, community engagement and research activities of the School.

The School of Health and Exercise Sciences is committed to the truth and reconciliation process and calls to action for Indigenous inclusion. Equity, diversity, inclusion, anti-racism, and anti-oppression are essential to academic excellence and research pursuit, and are core values of our School and UBC. An open and diverse community fosters the inclusion of voices that have been underrepresented or discouraged. We strongly encourage applications from candidates who can demonstrate through teaching, research, experience, and service that they can contribute to these core values. UBC particularly encourages scholars of indigeneity, racialization, and colonization.

UBC is one of the world’s leading universities, and is consistently ranked in the top 40. The university has two distinct campuses, one in Vancouver and one in Kelowna. UBC’s Okanagan campus, located in the city of Kelowna, has over 10,000 students in seven faculties, with strong undergraduate and graduate programs. Situated in the heart of the Okanagan Valley, one of the most scenic regions in Canada, it offers an intimate learning environment and excellent opportunities for regional, national, and international scholarly activities. For more information about UBC resources and opportunities, please visit http://www.hr.ubc.ca/faculty-staff-resources/. Information about the surrounding community can be found at: https://hr.ubc.ca/careers-and-job-postings/relocation-services/relocating-kelowna.

The School of Health and Exercise Sciences was launched in July 2011 and currently has 19 full-time faculty members, over 800 undergraduate students, and approximately 50 graduate students. It offers an undergraduate degree in Health and Exercise Sciences with three concentrations (Kinesiology & Allied Health, Health Behavior Change and Clinical Exercise Physiology) as well as graduate training opportunities are provided through dedicated M.Sc. and Ph.D. programs.

Applications must be submitted online at https://ubc.wd10.myworkdayjobs.com/ubcfacultyjobs. Candidates should submit:

• A letter of application (cover letter)
• A curriculum vitae
• A research dossier
• A statement of teaching interests, teaching philosophy, as well as teaching experience and effectiveness (not exceeding 3 pages in total)
• A statement on how their research and/or teaching would contribute to an equitable, diverse and inclusive (EDI) academic environment (not exceeding 1 page)
• The names and addresses (e-mail included) of three referees, who can speak to your research, teaching, and administrative abilities, as well as your service activities.

Review of applications will start April 15, 2022, and continue until the position is filled.

Inquiries may be directed to Dr. Tanya Forneris, Interim Director, School of Health and Exercise Sciences, Faculty of Health and Social Development (tanya.forneris@ubc.ca).

All appointments are subject to budgetary approval.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.