McMaster University is located on the traditional territories of the Haudenosaunee and Mississauga Nations and within the lands protected by the “Dish With One Spoon” wampum agreement. In keeping with its Statement on Building an Inclusive Community with a Shared Purpose, McMaster University has a vision to achieve creativity, innovation and excellence in teaching, research and service by engaging a diverse and highly talented educational community and embodying the values of integrity, respect and collaboration.

Position Description:

The Department of Philosophy at McMaster University invites applications for the position of Canada Research Chair (Tier 1) in the History of Analytic Philosophy. The Chair must have an area of specialization in the history of analytic philosophy, with particular attention to the role that Bertrand Russell’s corpus plays in this history. The Chair will be a full-time appointment at the rank of Professor. Applicants at the rank of Associate Professor are eligible and must be in a position to be promoted to the rank of Professor within one or two years of nomination.

The Canada Research Chairs (CRC) Program supports outstanding researchers in areas that will further the institution's strategic research plan. To meet the criteria of the program, nominees must be outstanding and innovative world-class researchers whose accomplishments have made a major impact in their fields; be recognized internationally as leaders in their fields; have superior records of attracting and supervising graduate students and postdoctoral fellows and, as chairholders, be expected to attract, develop and retain excellent trainees, students and future researchers; and be proposing an original, innovative research program of the highest quality.

Nominees for Tier 1 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. All nominations for CRCs are subject to review and final approval by the CRC Secretariat.

Please consult the CRC website for full program information, including further details on eligibility criteria at http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/program-programme/nomination-mise_en_candidature-eng.aspx.

Selection Criteria:

McMaster University houses the Bertrand Russell Archives and the Bertrand Russell Research Center (BRRC). Fittingly, the McMaster Department of Philosophy is a leading centre for the study of the history of analytic philosophy. The successful applicant must demonstrate a compelling vision for both continuing and further developing this longstanding strength in research and graduate training as well as carrying on and enhancing McMaster University’s
mission as steward of the Russell Archives and the associated intellectual history of scholars and ideas from the mid-nineteenth to the mid-twentieth century that influenced and were influenced by Russell.

The Chair will be expected to maintain an outstanding program of research, to teach at the undergraduate and graduate levels, to supervise and cultivate an intellectual community of graduate students working in this area, to act as Director of the BRRC, to help sustain the collegial atmosphere within the Department, and to help realize the Department’s and the University’s commitment to the goals of equity, diversity, and inclusivity. For further details about the BRRC, see https://www.humanities.mcmaster.ca/~russell/.

**Commitment to Inclusive Excellence: Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Statement**

The diversity of our community and our workforce is integral to and at the core of our innovation and creativity and strengthens our research, teaching and service excellence, as well as our broader learning environment. To achieve this vision for inclusive excellence, McMaster is committed to principles of equity and inclusion. McMaster invites applications from all qualified candidates and particularly welcomes applications from self-identified Indigenous (First Nations, Métis and Inuit) peoples, members of racialized communities (“visible minorities”), persons with disabilities, women and LGBTQ+ persons of marginalized sexual orientation and gender identities.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian Immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.

**How to apply:**

Applicants should submit a letter of application together with a curriculum vitae, a sample of publications, evidence of teaching effectiveness, a research program summary proposal (3 pages maximum), a summary proposal of plans for the further development of the Bertrand Russell Research Centre (2 pages maximum), contact information for at least four potential referees from whom confidential letters of assessment can be obtained, and a statement describing any contributions that the applicant may have made to advancing equity, diversity and inclusion in teaching, learning, research or service within post-secondary, community-based and other professional settings (2 pages maximum).

McMaster University recognizes the potential impact that career interruptions and personal circumstances (e.g., pregnancy, early childcare, eldercare, illness, etc.) can have on an applicant’s record of research achievement. We encourage applicants to explain in their applications the impact that career interruptions, or other issues may have had as described under “Career Interruptions” at CRC’s Guidelines for ensuring a fair and transparent recruitment and nomination process at http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/program-programme/equity-equite/recruitment-recrutement-eng.aspx. Further detail may be found under Guidelines for Assessing the Productivity of Nominees at http://www.chairs-chaires.gc.ca/peer_reviewers-evaluateurs/productivity-productivite-eng.aspx#career.
All applicants must also complete a brief Diversity Survey as part of the application process. This survey can be found at https://surveys.mcmaster.ca/limesurvey/index.php/663145?lang=en and will take approximately two minutes to complete. The questions are voluntary. All information collected is confidential and will be used to support efforts to broaden the diversity of the applicant pool and to promote a fair, equitable and inclusive talent acquisition process.

Job applicants requiring accommodation to participate in the hiring process should contact the Human Resources Service Centre at 905-525-9140 ext. 222-HR (22247) to communicate accommodation needs.

Applications must be submitted via the University’s electronic portal by December 9, 2018 to ensure full consideration: http://www.workingatmcmaster.ca/careers/.

Queries should be addressed to Dr. Stefan Sciaraffa, Chair, Department of Philosophy at philjob@mcmaster.ca.