

**Joint University of Toronto, Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work /
Baycrest, Kunin-Lunenfeld Applied Research Unit
Position of Honey & Norman Schipper Joint Chair in Gerontological Social Work**

The ideal candidate for the Joint Honey & Norman Schipper Chair in Gerontological Social Work (“Schipper Chair”) is an internationally renowned scientist with exceptional scholarship in social work, brain health and aging and a talented instructor with the capacity to inspire students to pursue research and clinical careers in gerontological social work.

The Chair will develop a new and innovative program of research and education in gerontological social work spanning the University of Toronto’s FIFSW and the major geriatric teaching hospital/facility – Baycrest – affiliated with the University of Toronto’s Faculty of Medicine. The joint placement of the Chair allows for a true integration across research, education and practice, at both the MSW and PhD levels as well as supporting continuing education and development of current gerontological social workers. The aim is to create a novel and unique environment for continued and future excellence in gerontological social work. Linkages within Baycrest are facilitated and supported by the Katz Centre for Gerontological Social Work at Baycrest which the Schipper Chair heads.

The **Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work at the University of Toronto** is distinguished by its emphasis on the integration of research and practice in both the classroom and its practicum education. As the oldest school of social work in Canada, the Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work has been on the cutting edge of education, policy, research and practice for more than 90 years. Recognized as one of the leading social work research Faculties in North America, we are highly involved in promoting excellence in social work practice and policy development. Teaching in the Faculty is enriched by the internationally recognized research of faculty members which is designed to help governments, agencies and communities effectively address real world challenges.

Located in north Toronto, **Baycrest** is one of the world’s premier academic health science centers focused on aging. Through its strengths in research and education, Baycrest is using the power of inquiry and discovery to improve the health of tomorrow’s elderly while at the same time care for and enhance the quality of life of the elderly today. Our research has primary focus on maintenance of brain health, treatment of neurological dysfunction from disorders associated with aging, and understanding the impact of brain disorders on caregivers and family members. The research enterprise includes the acclaimed Rotman Research Institute, considered one of the top five cognitive neuroscience institutes in the world, and the Kunin-Lunenfeld Applied Research Unit (KLARU), an independent Unit within the Rotman Research Institute, which foster excellence in applied and evaluative research focused on the prevention, rehabilitation, treatment, and overall care. Together the Rotman and KLARU are giving the world a whole new understanding – and new hope – about interventions and preventions that could transform aging.

The Schipper Chair position will involve appointment at the Associate and/or Full Professor level. Candidates must possess a doctorate in social work or a related field, and must have a master’s degree in social work from an accredited university.

Please submit a covering letter describing current research interests and future research goals, a complete C.V., relevant reprints and the names of three potential references to:

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The University of Toronto and Baycrest welcome applications from visible minority group members, women, Aboriginal persons, and persons with disabilities. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Review of applications will begin on June 30th, 2011, and will continue until the position is filled.