



NSCAD University invites applications for a tenure track position in Design at the rank of Assistant Professor. We seek a candidate with research and teaching expertise in user experience (UX) and user interface (UI), focusing on digital products and services. We are eager to embrace a new colleague who will help shape the future of design, research, and pedagogy within the vibrant environment of Atlantic Canada's only dedicated art and design university.

The successful candidate for this position will engage with the critical discourses of Design, having applied expertise in Design's contemporary tools, technologies, and practices, and they will be able to speculate and theorize about an evolving future. Our new colleague will develop possibilities for collaboration within NSCAD's Design Division and with NSCAD's Media Division, and also with other local universities and the growing UX and entrepreneurial community.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The person hired will have the opportunity to work with all levels of undergraduates, including Foundation students, as well as Masters of Design students. To succeed in the position, the candidate will develop and maintain a national profile as a designer. The candidate should also expect to be an engaged contributor to service and administration, and we are particularly interested in a candidate who can be instrumental in developing the future of Design curriculum.

QUALIFICATIONS

Applicants must have:

- A terminal degree or equivalent professional experience in Design or a closely related field
- An active, original, innovative record of Design research and practice in UX and UI
- Demonstrated capacity to teach at the post-secondary level (experience with graduate students will be an asset)

Applicants are welcome to highlight:

- A diverse professional background
- Potential for establishing and sustaining national and international collaborations.
- A record of professional work, exhibitions, publications and/or conference presentations highlighting both professional, personal, and speculative work and explorations

The anticipated start date for this position is **July 1, 2026**.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Candidates may submit materials as a single PDF document, attached to an email addressed to emacdonald@nscad.ca. The position will remain open until filled, but applicants are encouraged to submit by **January 20, 2026**. Questions about the opportunity can be directed to Dr. Jacqueline Warwick, Dean, Academic, at dean@nscad.ca

For full consideration, the application file should include:

- A letter of application (1-2 pages)
- Curriculum vitae
- A research statement (1-2 pages)
- A portfolio of projects that best represent the applicant's current work and interests. Referrals to websites are acceptable.
- A teaching dossier that documents the applicant's experience in and approach to training diverse students, and teaching effectiveness.

NSCAD University and Halifax are in Mi'kmaki, on the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq Nation. NSCAD University is committed to reconciliation and to establishing respectful relationships with Indigenous peoples and with the African Nova Scotian communities that have been enriching this region for 400 years. As a small school with three urban campuses and programs across a range of fine arts, design, craft, and media arts, NSCAD is an incubator for talent and an active contributor to the arts and design scene in one of Canada's fastest-growing cities. Since 1887, NSCAD has been a leader in visual arts and design education in Canada, with distinguished alumni building careers all over the world.

As an institution committed to art, design, craft, media, and related scholarship, NSCAD University recognizes diversity's profound and essential value to the creation, reception and circulation of creative practices and discourse. NSCAD understands that valuing diverse creative practices and forms of knowledge is crucial to and enriches the institution's core mission and vision as an art and design university with a local and global scope.

As an employer committed to employment equity, we encourage applications from members of equity-seeking communities, including women, racialized and Indigenous persons, persons with disabilities, and persons of all sexual orientations and gender identities/expressions.

NSCAD is committed to providing an inclusive and barrier-free experience to applicants with accessibility needs. Accommodation requests can be made at any stage during the recruitment process. Do not hesitate to contact humanresources@nscad.ca