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## **CONCURSO CARGO ACADÉMICO**

### **ESCUELA DE DISEÑO**

### **INSTITUTO PARA EL DESARROLLO SUSTENTABLE**

**ENERO DE 2023**

The School of Design and the Institute for Sustainable Development at Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile invite outstanding candidates for a full-time joint faculty position in the areas of circular economy, design for sustainability, sustainable innovation, and sustainable futures. This call is initially intended for candidates at the Assistant or Associate Professor level.

#### **Duties**

Candidates must carry out high quality teaching at undergraduate and graduate levels and lead independent research in topics such as circular economy; design of sustainable products, services, and systems; sustainable futures, strategic design, among others. In addition, the successful applicant is expected to develop an active collaborative agenda with both public and private entities and actors, transferring knowledge to them.

#### **Teaching**

At the undergraduate level, the candidate must develop teaching activities at both the School of Design and the IDS. The candidate should be able to teach an undergraduate course on topics such as Sustainable Design, Circular Economy, and Sustainable Development, Strategic Design. The candidate is expected to teach and supervise



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graduate students (Master and Doctorate). Overall, the candidate is expected to teach half of their courses at IDS and the other half at the School of Design.

### **Research**

The candidate is expected to carry on original and relevant research and secure funding by applying to national and international research grants. The candidate is expected to integrate teams with an interdisciplinary approach, and to publish results of research in WoS journals. Research in areas of biomaterials, and material circularity, and the creative process of design will be positively considered.

### **Knowledge transfer**

IDS and the School of Design have a strong vocation towards applying new knowledge in the sustainable transformation of our societies. Sharing our expertise beyond academia is central to our academic mission. The candidate is expected to carry out applied projects with public and private entities. Experience in research and development projects will be positively considered.

### **Minimum/ Required Qualifications**

Applicants must have a Ph.D. degree at the moment of application. Having a degree in Design (BA, MA, M.Sc, Ph.D.) is not a requirement but will be positively considered. Previous experience in teaching and research is desired. Previous postdoctoral or international academic experience should be stated in the application.

If selected for the position, foreigners who apply from abroad must obtain the appropriate visa in their country of residence to join the faculty. Candidates need to be fluent in Spanish at the time of application. Fluency in English is a requirement.



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Applicants are required to show a strong commitment to all facets of academic life and to contribute to the institution's mission to serve society. Applicants should demonstrate a high level of motivation for continuous improvement in their teaching skills, a sincere interest in engaging with our graduate programs, and the capacity to initiate and sustain an active research agenda resulting in high-quality publications.

Applicants should have a deep knowledge and understanding of the role of Design in achieving more plural and sustainable futures, and how an interdisciplinary approach to research could strengthen the institutional mission of IDS and the School of Design at the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile.

#### Application Instructions

Applicants should submit the following documents to [mfchilet@uc.cl](mailto:mfchilet@uc.cl) in one consolidated PDF file:

- A short research statement (in English) indicating the goals of the applicant's research plan (2000 words maximum).
- A short teaching statement of purpose (in English) indicating why the applicant should be considered for the position, and –second– the plans for teaching in the topics of Design for Sustainability (2000 words maximum).
- An updated curriculum vitae.
- If available, copies of recent publications that are relevant to the context of the application.
- Two letters of recommendation from academics.



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The selected applicants will be contacted by email to have an online interview with the selection committee, and further information and official transcripts will be required at this stage.

Please send you application with the SUBJECT: IDS-DESIGN SUSTAINABLE DESIGN APPLICATION /NAME/

Applications will be received till March 29th 2024, and the selected applicant should be prepared to start in May 2024.

The Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile is committed to equal opportunities, to the construction of an inclusive, diverse and fraternal community and to the promotion of the academic development of women and men. A person of foreign nationality and who applies from abroad, in case of being selected for the position, will be required to have the corresponding visa, obtained from the consulate in the country of origin, in order to be incorporated into the academic staff of the University.