Special internal posting for Associate Vice-President Research

The Vice-President Research & Innovation (VPRI) is seeking applications for an Associate Vice-President Research (Associate VPR).

Reporting to the Vice President Research and Innovation, Associate VPR will help develop and support the achievement of the university’s research vision, and provide leadership in fostering the development of the culture of research at York. Duties will include but are not limited to:

- Providing leadership in fostering an environment conducive to research excellence and in further intensifying scholarship, research and related creative activities on the Keele and Glendon campuses with special emphasis on research areas covered by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) of Canada.
- Focusing on stimulating and supporting team-based interdisciplinary research proposals and building partnerships with government, private and public sectors, social organizations and communities to further increase research funding and research opportunities for York researchers.
- Providing leadership and advice on the strategic development of research programs, organized research units, and research policies in collaboration with other University bodies such as the Academic Policy, Planning and Research Committee of the Senate.
- Stimulating and promoting innovation and knowledge transfer to private and public sectors for York researchers, and entrepreneurship and experiential education opportunities for York students.
- Promoting the development of mentorship and support programs for researchers, including research awards and recognition.
- Providing leadership in the development of pan-university strategic planning processes and documents.
- Leading the development of research policy that bridges the needs of researchers and the institution.
- Working with units to engage researchers and develop research aspirations across the spectrum of research.
- Working externally to support the York Research vision and to develop the working relationship regionally, nationally and internationally.
- Other duties related to University research and innovation as assigned by the VPRI.

An integral part of the Leadership Team of the Vice-President Research & Innovation Office, this position is expected to be complementary and mutually supportive of the current Associate VPR, Assistant VPRs, and together will encompass the range of activities described. Specific duties will be commensurate with the experience and interests of the successful candidate and based on the individual strengths which they bring to the portfolio.

Qualifications:

Applicants are expected to have a distinguished record of scholarship, interdisciplinary research and external collaboration record, a thorough understanding of institutional research awards and proven success in building relationships with government, industry and the not-for-profit sector. They are also expected to have leadership experience in the strategic development of research and an ability to interact collegially with research community inside and outside York University. The candidate should have a background in the Arts, Business, Humanities, Law, Social Sciences, or a related discipline.
Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Considerations

An equitable, diverse and inclusive environment is a key consideration of the Associate VPR position, and strongly aligns with York’s core values. As such, the office of VP Research and Innovation encourages applications from persons in the federally recognized four designated groups (FDGs).

Application materials:
The position will commence on January 1, 2021. Candidates should forward a complete CV and a 1- to 2-page letter detailing their thoughts on how the Office of the Vice-President Research & Innovation might provide leadership towards the development and advancement of the research enterprise at York University in light of York University Strategic Research Plan and Plan for the Intensification and Enhancement of Research (PIER).

Applications must be submitted by 4:30 pm on October 12, 2020. Please forward all documentation electronically to Felix Moses, Senior Executive Officer, Office of the Vice-President Research & Innovation, at fmoses@yorku.ca. All information received regarding this position will be treated in strict confidence.