

**The Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Languages**

**Position:** Inaugural Director

**ORU:** The Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Languages

**Term Start and End Date:** July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2026

**Stipend:** \$6665 + 1.0 course release (As per YUFA Collective Agreement Appendix P)

**Application Due Date:** October 30, 2020

Applications and nominations are invited for the position of Director of the Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Languages for a term of up to five years, to begin July 1, 2021.

**ORU Description and History:**

The Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Languages (CIKL) is an interdisciplinary, transdisciplinary, and Indigenous-led Organized Research Unit supporting the research of York University faculty and graduate students, both Indigenous and non-Indigenous. CIKL's aim is to centre Indigenous knowledges and languages through research that contributes to the broad objectives of decolonization and Indigenization. CIKL supports, promotes, and disseminates Indigenous knowledges and scholarship in all of its forms, participating in the caretaking, sharing and renewal of diverse Indigenous ways of being, knowing and doing. CIKL pursues the institutional development of reciprocal relationships with local Indigenous communities, inclusive of urban Indigenous populations, Indigenous community organizations, and the Indigenous Nations upon whose lands York University is situated.

**Position Requirements:**

Applicants are expected to be members of the full-time faculty at York University who self-identify as an Indigenous (Aboriginal) person\*, and to have a distinguished record of scholarship and research interests, and demonstrated strong track record of research with Indigenous communities in North America. The Director is expected to administer the financial, organizational, academic and collegial activities of the ORU, to identify and develop external funding opportunities, to develop and maintain Indigenous community relationships and reciprocity in collaboration with York Indigenous entities. The Director will also be an individual and collaborative researcher with an active research program.

**Stipend & Other Resources:**

The successful applicant will receive an administrative stipend and the appropriate course load reduction as stipulated by the YUFA Collective Agreement. Given the

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\* The Constitution Act, 1982, section 35(2) defines Aboriginal Peoples to include all Indigenous people of Canada - Status Indians, Non-Status Indians, (First Nations), Métis and Inuit people.

exceptional and extraordinary responsibilities inherent in this position, requests for additional resources will be considered based on needs and circumstances as presented to the University. The Director of the Centre reports to the Vice-President Research and Innovation.

For further information about The Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Languages can be found on the VPRI ORU website located here:

<https://www.yorku.ca/research/organized-research-units/>

**Application Process:**

Applications and nominations (including curriculum vitae and the names of three referees who may be contacted) should be sent to Kaitlin Reibling, ([kaitmr@yorku.ca](mailto:kaitmr@yorku.ca)) HR & Operations Coordinator, VPRI.

Applications must include:

- Curriculum vitae
- Statement about vision for the Centre including goals, objectives, strategy of action and leadership style (1000 max)

Applications and nominations must be received by **October 30, 2020**