

Position: Director, York Centre for Asian Research

ORU: York Centre for Asian Research (YCAR)

Term Start and End Date: 01 July 2022 to 30 June 2027

Compensation: Administrative stipend and 1.0 course load reduction as stipulated by the [YUFA Collective Agreement](#)

Application Due Date: Monday, 15 November 2021

Applications and nominations are invited for the position of Director of the York Centre for Asian Research (YCAR) for a term of five years, to begin Friday, 01 July 2022.

ORU Description and History:

The York Centre for Asian Research (YCAR) fosters and supports research at York related to Asia (South, East and Southeast in particular) and Asian Diasporas. It continues the strong tradition of internationally recognized research in Asian studies pioneered since 1974 by the University of Toronto-York University Joint Centre for Asia Pacific Studies, in which York faculty members and graduate students played a central role. It became an independent unit in 1992 and has been growing rapidly ever since under York's Vice-President Research and Innovation (VPRI) with strong memberships from faculty and students whose network reaches both local and global communities. The Centre has over 250 faculty, student and community associates from all disciplines and Faculties, and it fosters cross-disciplinary thematic research on Asia and Asian diasporas from historical and contemporary perspectives.

YCAR aims to provide:

- 1) **Intellectual Exchange:** facilitating interaction between Asia-focused scholars at York, and between York researchers and a global community of Asia scholars;
- 2) **Research Support:** assisting in the development of external research grants, and administering such projects;
- 3) **Graduate Training:** supporting graduate student training and research by creating an interdisciplinary intellectual hub, administering a graduate diploma program, and providing financial support for graduate research;
- 4) **Knowledge Mobilization:** providing a clear public point of access to York's collective research expertise on Asia and ensuring the wider dissemination of York research on Asia to academic and non-academic audiences in Canada and around the world.

Position Requirements:

Applicants are expected to be members of the full-time faculty at York University, and to have a distinguished record of scholarship and research interests. The Director is expected to administer the financial, organizational and academic and collegial activities of the ORU, to develop external funding sources, and to maintain an active individual and collaborative research program. The Director will have the opportunity to expand YCAR's relations with partners and community groups. The Director will be supported by a full-time Coordinator. The Director reports to the Associate Vice-President Research, Jennifer Hyndman.

Compensation:

The successful applicant will receive an administrative stipend and 1.0 course load reduction as stipulated by the [YUFA Collective Agreement](#).

Application Process:

Applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, a statement about their vision for the Centre, including goals, objectives, strategy of action and leadership style, and the names of three referees who may be contacted to Tiffany Pollock, ORU Research Manager (tpoll@yorku.ca).

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