

Position: Director

ORU: Centre for Refugee Studies (CRS)

Term Start and End Date: 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2029

Stipend: The position comes with a stipend and course load reduction as stipulated by YUFA or OHFA Collective Agreement, as appropriate

Application Due Date: 16 October 2023

Applications and nominations are invited for the position of Director of the Centre for Refugee Studies for a term of five years, to begin on 1 July 2024.

ORU Description and History:

The Centre for Refugee Studies at York is an interdisciplinary community of researchers dedicated to advancing the well-being of refugees and others displaced by violence, persecution, human rights abuses, and environmental degradation through innovative research, education and policy engagement. Since its inception in 1988, CRS has been recognized as an international leader in the creation, mobilization and dissemination of new knowledge that addresses forced migration and other forms of human displacement in local, national and global contexts. The general nature of the research program at CRS is twofold: (1) Enhancing the rights and well-being of refugees and other displaced people through research, education and knowledge mobilization; (2) improving critical understandings of unprecedented and ever-increasing human displacement, and rapid shifts in responses, and advancing evidence-informed policy and practice in Canada and abroad.

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.

Stipend:

The successful applicant will receive an administrative stipend and the appropriate course load reduction as stipulated by the YUFA Collective Agreement or the OHFA Collective Agreement. The Director of the Centre reports to the Associate Vice-President Research.

Equality, Diversity & Inclusion:

The Centre for Refugee Studies and York University are committed to equality, diversity, and inclusion, broadly understood. We are particularly interested in candidates with diverse backgrounds and especially encourage candidates in equity, diversity and inclusion categories. As a part of this commitment, we hope to increase the representation in ORU leadership of faculty members from five groups: women, racialized persons, Indigenous persons, persons with disabilities, and LGBTQ2S+ persons. As an ORU focused on forced migration, the Centre for Refugee Studies is also keen to increase the representation in ORU leadership of faculty members who have lived experience with human displacement (including inter- and trans-generational experiences). Persons identifying as members of these equity-seeking groups are particularly encouraged to apply.

Application Process:

Applications and nominations (including curriculum vitae and the names of three referees who may be contacted) should be sent to Nathalie Lacoste Ling (nling@yorku.ca).

Applicants are also asked to submit a statement about their vision for the Centre including goals, objectives, strategy of action and leadership style.

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