



Sessional Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream in Physical Literacy
School of Kinesiology and Health Science, Faculty of Health

The School of Kinesiology and Health Science in the Faculty of Health at York University invites highly qualified applicants for a Sessional Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream position in Physical Literacy. This is a Contractually Limited Appointment (CLA) to the teaching stream for a three-year term to commence July 1, 2024.

The successful candidate will be expected to teach undergraduate and/or graduate courses and provide creative experiential-based educational leadership to enhance teaching and learning through curricular and pedagogical innovation in the classroom and applied settings. A sound, movement-based foundation in physical literacy is critically important for lifelong engagement in physical activity behaviours and the [School](#) aims to instill this in all of our students. These valuable skills are highly transferable to a myriad of career trajectories taken by Kinesiology and Health Science graduates. The candidate's primary role will be to develop and implement the emerging Integrated Physical Activity for Life (IPAL) courses through collaboration with existing IPAL faculty members. The IPAL courses are committed to equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) and strive to develop all Kinesiology and Health Science students into well rounded ambassadors of physical activity who possess the knowledge and ability to promote active healthy behaviours for themselves and those around them. This mission will be achieved through diverse movement-based experiences across six themes delivered during the first two years of the undergraduate program.

Candidate Qualifications:

- **Degree:** Candidates must hold a PhD or PhD completed by appointment date of July 1, 2024 in Kinesiology, Education, Recreation and Leisure, Child and Youth Studies, or a related field.
- **Teaching:**
 - A record or evident promise of excellence in teaching and dedication to students (e.g., teaching and/or leadership accomplishments, evidence of pedagogical innovations in experiential education, technology-enhanced learning and community-based learning, strong student or peer evaluations).
 - Suitability for prompt appointment to the Faculty of Graduate Studies, given that the position may involve graduate teaching and supervision.
- **Additional:**
 - A strong background in physical literacy, either through academia or other routes (e.g., coaching, teaching).
 - A strong commitment to pedagogy and student success, the capacity to bring a theoretical and practical orientation to leadership via movement-based activities and a reflective approach to teaching.
 - Given the firm commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) of the IPAL courses, professional development, program implementation/evaluation, and leadership in the field of EDI will be considered an asset.
 - Experience with curriculum development and universal design approaches to teaching and assessment is preferred.
 - A record of contribution to service or potential to contribute to service in administrative and committee work.

Hiring Policies:

- Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.
- All York University positions are subject to budgetary approval.
- York is an Affirmative Action (AA) employer and strongly values diversity, including gender and sexual diversity, in its community. Details of the AA Program, which applies to women, members of racialized groups, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities and those who identify as 2SLGBTQ+, can be found [here](#) or by contacting Christal Chapman, EDI Program Manager (chapman7@yorku.ca; 416-736-5713).
- York welcomes and employs scholars from all over the world. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens, permanent residents and Indigenous peoples of Canada will be given priority.
- York has a policy on [Accommodation in Employment for Persons with Disabilities](#) and is committed to working towards a barrier-free workplace and expanding the accessibility of the workplace to persons with disabilities. Applicants who require accommodation are invited to contact Dr. Angelo Belcastro, Chair, School of Kinesiology and Health Science at kinchair@yorku.ca.

Application Process:

- Due date for completed applications: **October 30, 2023**
- Required materials: 1) current CV; 2) a signed letter of application/cover letter outlining professional experience; 3) a teaching philosophy statement, 4) a teaching dossier which supports excellence and innovation in teaching [i.e., sample course outlines, student rating, teaching reviews, workshop and professional development programs attended or led, and conference papers and publications relating to pedagogy], and 5) contact information for three references. Reference letters will only be requested for shortlisted candidates.
- Provide required information regarding your Canadian work status and optional self-identification for Affirmative Action purposes as part of the online application.
- Further information about the School of Kinesiology and Health Science can be obtained at www.kinesiology.yorku.ca and www.yorku.ca/kahs. Any questions regarding the posting should be directed to: Dr. Angelo Belcastro, Chair, School of Kinesiology and Health Science at kinchair@yorku.ca.
- **Submit materials: [HH CLA Phys](#)**

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- York's commitments to social justice are laid out in our [Decolonizing, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Strategy](#), the [Framework & Action Plan on Black Inclusion](#) and the [Indigenous Framework for York University](#).
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