

Position: Director

ORU: Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Languages (CIKL)

Term Start and End Date: 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2030

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

Due Date: December 6, 2024

Applications are invited for the position of Director of the Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Languages for a term of 5 years, to begin on 1 July 2025.

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.

CIKL started in 2021 and currently has 60 active members, including faculty, graduate students, and community members. Located in York Lanes 3rd floor, CIKL has 3 offices and a boardroom that can be booked by members.

For further information about The Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Languages can be found on the CIKL website located here: <https://www.yorku.ca/research/cikl/>

Position Requirements:

Applicants are expected to be full-time faculty at York University who self-identify as an Indigenous person*, and to have a distinguished record of scholarship and research interests, and demonstrated strong track record of research with Indigenous communities. The Director is expected to administer the financial, organizational, academic and collegial activities of the ORU, to identify and develop external funding

* 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.

opportunities, to develop and maintain Indigenous community relationships and reciprocity in collaboration with Indigenous entities at York. The Director will also be an individual and collaborative researcher with an active 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 Indigenous Knowledges and Languages and York University are committed to equality, diversity, and inclusion, broadly understood. We specifically invite applications from candidates who identify as Indigenous (First Nations, Metis, or Inuit).

Submission Process:

A cover letter (1 page vision statement and/or research plan) and Curriculum Vitae should be sent to Nathalie LaCoste Ling (nling@yorku.ca).

Following the deadline, submissions will be reviewed by the hiring committee. At which time, candidates may be selected for an interview with the hiring committee.

Questions about the position can be brought (in confidence) to Jennifer M Hyndman (jhyndman@yorku.ca) Associate Vice-President Research or Nathalie LaCoste Ling (nling@yorku.ca) Research Manager, Organized Research Units.