Dean, Faculty of Science

The Faculty of Science at York University is seeking a new Dean. Established in 1965, the Faculty has grown substantially over the years, earning a global reputation for cutting-edge research and innovation. The Faculty’s five departments and one division form the organizational home for some 140 faculty members and over 20 academic programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels, reflecting the breadth and interdisciplinarity of the Faculty’s activities. As a hub of research and teaching excellence, the Faculty of Science fosters scientific discovery in the life, physical and quantitative sciences and prepares global thinkers to advance knowledge across a range of disciplines.

The Faculty is committed to enhancing the student experience and to fostering student learning through innovative teaching practices and experiential education opportunities. Students at all levels in the Faculty learn from and work with outstanding faculty members, and benefit from leading-edge research facilities.

Faculty members collaborate with colleagues across campus, at other local institutions and around the world in academia, industry and government, and also engage with the broader community through extensive outreach activities and media. Many faculty members are also affiliated with several Organized Research Units at York University and contribute to cross-Faculty research initiatives such as VISTA (Vision: Science to Applications) and the CVR (Center of Vision Research). The Faculty of Science attracts funding from a broad array of agencies including NSERC, CIHR, and CFI.

The Faculty is now seeking a visionary and collaborative Dean to build on its successes and lead its next phase of development. Following a period of considerable growth and success, the Dean will have the opportunity to guide the Faculty’s future direction, giving attention to planning for and advancing growth, building new partnerships, and enhancing both research and the student learning experience. Working with a supportive and high-caliber faculty, the Dean will have the opportunity to devise and deliver a forward-thinking strategy for the Faculty. The ideal candidate will have a track record of academic achievement, and strategic and consultative leadership in a multidisciplinary environment. They will be a person with strong communication and leadership skills, inspired vision, exceptional character, and a passionate commitment to the values and mission of the Faculty. The incoming Dean will have the opportunity to lead a thriving and impactful Faculty of Science, one which pushes the bounds of innovation. For more information about the Faculty, see http://science.yorku.ca/.

Home to 52,000 students, York University has an established international reputation as a global, research-intensive university committed to interdisciplinarity, innovation, social justice, equity, and diversity. York has several campuses in the Greater Toronto Area and internationally. Please visit www.yorku.ca for additional information about the University.

York University is an Affirmative Action (AA) employer and strongly values diversity, including gender and sexual diversity, within its community. The AA program, which applies to women, members of visible minorities (racialized groups), Aboriginal (Indigenous) people and persons with disabilities, can be found at http://acadjobs.info.yorku.ca/ or by calling the AA office at 416-
736-5713. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens, Permanent Residents, and Indigenous peoples in Canada will be given priority. Please advise if you are a Canadian Citizen or Canadian Permanent Resident in your CV, Cover Letter or by completing the Work Status Declaration form which can be accessed here: http://acadjobs.info.yorku.ca/affirmative-action/work-authorization-form/.

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York University is partnering with the executive search firm Perrett Laver on this search process. Further information, including details of how to apply, can be downloaded at http://www.perrettlaver.com/candidates quoting reference 3810. Please send all informal inquires to vancouver@perrettlaver.com.

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