

RYERSON UNIVERSITY

Located in the heart of Toronto, the largest and most culturally diverse city in the country, Ryerson University is committed to diversity, equity and inclusion. The University is known for innovative programs built on the integration of theoretical and practically oriented learning. Our undergraduate and graduate programs are distinguished by a professionally focused curriculum and strong emphasis on excellence in teaching, research and creative activities. Ryerson is also a leader in adult learning, with the largest university-based continuing education school in Canada.

DIRECTOR, SCHOOL OF URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING

The School of Urban and Regional Planning offers a professionally accredited four-year undergraduate program to approximately 366 students. The School has a master's program accredited by the Canadian Institute of Planners, with the first graduating class in June 2010. The School is a significant contributor to planning education in Canada. It is particularly known for the quality of its applied approach to professional planning education, centred on vibrant studio-based teaching and learning, with a passionate commitment to urban vitality and community engagement. Additional information about the School can be found at www.ryerson.ca/surp.

In this five-year term appointment, commencing July 1, 2011 and incorporating a tenured-stream position, the Director will champion the School's mission in city-building and sustainable community development. The Director is responsible for providing academic and administrative leadership, including the management of the human and financial resources of the School, curriculum planning, program development, and community engagement. The successful candidate will have demonstrated leadership abilities and effective management skills, coupled with an ability to support the development of scholarships, and a deep commitment to, and respect for the student experience, which is central to the University's mission.

The successful candidate must have a degree in Planning, a PhD in Planning or a related field, or a combination of academic and professional qualifications that is equivalent, and shall be a tenured faculty member, or be eligible for tenure upon appointment. Current membership (or a demonstrated capacity to attain a membership) in the Canadian Institute of Planners, an established reputation in the professional community, an excellent record of scholarly research and/or influential practice, and teaching experience in one of the core curriculum areas are also required. Teaching experience in a studio setting will be an asset.

Please forward your cover letter, detailed curriculum vitae and the names and addresses of three referees, by November 15, 2010, to: Usha George, PhD, Professor and Dean, Faculty of Community Services, Ryerson University, 350 Victoria Street, Room SHE-697, Toronto, Ontario, M5B 2K3. The position will remain open until filled.

This position falls under the Ryerson Faculty Association (www.ryerson.ca/~rfa) jurisdiction. For details on the Ryerson Faculty Association Collective Agreement and the University's RFA Benefits Summary, please visit www.ryerson.ca/hr/working/docs/rfa_collective_agreement_09.pdf and www.ryerson.ca/hr/working/etoolkit/benefits/rfa/ respectively.

Ryerson University has an employment equity program and encourages applications from all qualified individuals, including Aboriginal peoples, persons with disabilities, members of visible minorities and women. Members of designated groups are encouraged to self-identify. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.