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Ryerson University

Executive Director, Athletics and Recreation

Ryerson University is a distinctly urban institution that champions inclusion, entrepreneurship and innovation. Guided by a bold Academic Plan, its community pursues academic excellence and scholarly, research and creative activities that address real-world challenges while improving lives. Located in Canada's most diverse city, Ryerson is deeply invested in building a campus that enriches downtown Toronto and serves as a model for how universities can be fully integrated with the urban centres in which they are located. The university is the most-applied to in Ontario relative to available spaces, and its reputation with business, government and community partners continues to grow at home and abroad.

Reporting to the Vice-Provost, Students, the ***Executive Director, Athletics and Recreation***, sets and delivers the vision for Ryerson's varsity and recreation programs, with a focus not only on excellence and student success but on how sport and recreation can be drivers for positive social change. The sport program consists of over 250 student-athletes who compete across 11 national and provincial teams. Recreation programs take place across two multi-purpose facilities, the Mattamy Athletic Centre (MAC) and the Recreation and Athletics Centre (RAC), and provide 45,700 Ryerson students with various health, recreation and wellness opportunities. The Executive Director leads all reputation-building activities including partnership development and advancement, while overseeing a team of seven direct reports with responsibility for human, financial and facilities resources, and varsity performance.

Ryerson seeks a leader whose values and skills align with the university's reputation for innovation, academic and athletic excellence, and city-building. You hold a graduate-level degree and bring significant experience from within a large, complex organization. Having developed and implemented strategic plans in sports and recreation, you intrinsically understand how to provide positive experiences and programs where participants learn and grow. You have a deep understanding of high-performance sport, student-athlete development, and health and wellness. You have overseen financial, human resource and facility functions, managed crises and collaborated with diverse and multiple stakeholders. As a collegial leader, you demonstrate a commitment to sustaining a culture that embraces mentorship, growth, diversity and inclusion.

Ryerson University welcomes those who would contribute to the further diversification of its staff, its faculty and its scholarship including, but not limited to, women, visible minorities, Indigenous people, persons with disabilities, and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity.

Please note that all qualified candidates are encouraged to apply but applications from Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

To explore this key leadership position at Ryerson University further, please contact Jane Griffith or Sarah Adams at sarah.adams@odgersberndtson.com or submit your resume and related information in confidence online at <http://www.odgersberndtson.com/en/careers/15349>

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