The Faculty of Environmental and Urban Change (EUC) at York University occasionally appoints Adjunct Professors whose ongoing association with the Faculty will significantly enhance teaching and/or research in urban, environmental and geographical scholarship, as well as the intellectual life of the University as a whole. Normally, Adjunct Professors are partially or fully employed elsewhere, or retired from such employment. In most cases, an Adjunct Professor is someone who is either: a) engaged in repeated sessional teaching appointments as a course director in EUC; and/or b) playing (or proposing to play) a leading role in a research grant that will be based and administered at EUC.

Adjunct Professors are not employees of the University and do not receive remuneration for their role at York, but may receive honoraria for occasional lectures or other activities. They may apply for part-time teaching appointments as course directors, but these appointments are made outside of the adjunct role, under the terms of the CUPE 3903 Collective Agreement. Adjunct Professors may use their association with the University to apply for external research funding, but such funds must be administered by the University and are governed by the same regulations as apply to regular faculty research.

Adjunct faculty will be provided with an email address and access to library and athletic facilities on the same terms as other faculty members. Subject to availability, they may also be provided with work-space, access to meeting rooms, limited administrative support, and invitations to attend events and talks. During the term of their appointment, an “Adjunct Professor” may use that title.

Candidates for Adjunct Professor status must be nominated by a full-time faculty member at EUC. Initial inquiries from EUC faculty members about the eligibility of a potential nominee can be directed to the Associate Dean, Research, Graduate and Global Affairs (eucadrgg@yorku.ca). Complete nominations are adjudicated by the Executive and Planning Committee of the EUC Faculty Council, which makes a recommendation to the Dean. Given that the title is recognized as an honour bestowed upon a scholar, professional or artist by the University, adjunct appointments must be approved by the Provost. An appointment is usually for one to three years, and will not exceed a maximum of five years, but is renewable through the same process if the appointee remains actively engaged with EUC. (Conversely, the EUC Executive and Planning Committee also reserves right to recommend the early termination of an adjunct appointment).

Adjunct status does not automatically confer graduate level teaching, advising or supervising privileges. As with full-time faculty members, these privileges are granted by individual graduate programs under terms set by the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

Adjunct Professor applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- The applicant’s academic and/or professional record of achievement;
- Evidence of an ongoing teaching role in EUC as a course director; or, evidence of a key role in an EUC-based research project;
- Evidence of other significant contributions that the nominee would make to EUC’s mission.

Nominations should include the following materials:

- A full curriculum vitae of the nominee;
- A detailed letter of nomination from a full-time faculty member, explaining: their connection to the nominee; the contribution that the nominee would make to the Faculty through specific research and/or teaching activities; the requested duration of the appointment; and any expectations of support/assistance from EUC.

Complete nominations should be submitted to: Lisa Dennis, Faculty Governance Assistant, Faculty of Environmental and Urban Change, 126 HNES Building, York University, 4700 Keele St, Toronto ON Canada M3J 1P3. Email: ldennis@yorku.ca