

# Postdoctoral Fellowship in Black Youth and Education

Dr. Carl James, in the Faculty of Education, York University (Toronto, Ontario) invites applications for a Postdoctoral Fellowship in the area of Black youth and education.

## **About the Jean Augustine Chair in Education, Community and Diaspora**

The Jean Augustine Chair in Education, Community & Diaspora is a university chair in the Faculty of Education at York University, which aims to advance access, equity and inclusivity to education through community engagement and collaborative action.

First launched in 2008, the chair holder initiates, facilitates, directs and engages in research, educational programs, and community partnerships which are culturally responsive and relevant to the educational and social needs, interests and aspirations of Black and other racialized community members.

## **Objective:**

The successful candidate will lead two research projects housed under the Jean Augustine Chair in Education, Community & Diaspora.

The Postdoctoral Fellow will engage in research that advances knowledge about the post-secondary experiences of Black students as well as the educational and community interventions that can support Black students' mental well-being.

**Value:** \$50,000 per year plus benefits for up to 24 months.

## **Description:**

You will be based at York University, and supervised by Professor Carl James. In collaboration and with the guidance of the supervisor, and within the bounds of the project mandate, you will be responsible for:

- Developing and operationalizing a research plan for each project;
- Conducting literature searches and reviews;
- Collecting primary and secondary data as it relates to the research projects;
- Co/authoring manuscripts for publication, as well as other forms of research dissemination;
- Writing up research for policy and community stakeholder audiences;
- Helping to organize project-related events;
- Offering a number of graduate, undergraduate and community interdisciplinary seminars/lectures to engage the broader community;
- Contributing more widely to the work of the Chair/Faculty of Education;
- Teaching opportunities up to a maximum of a 1.0 full course equivalent per year, with payment for any assigned teaching responsibilities may be available;
- Other activities as required.

**Qualifications and Skills:**

- PhD in sociology, education or another discipline relevant to education and Black youth;
- Strong theoretical interest in areas relating to race, education and mental health;
- Interest, and preferably, experience in community-engaged and/or youth participatory action research;
- Interest, and preferably, experience in working with Black youth/students;
- Excellent interpersonal skills;
- Excellent written and oral communication skills;
- Experience writing grants and disseminating research to a range of audiences;
- Strong organizational and project management skills;
- Ability to work well both independently and collaboratively.

**Application details:**

To apply, please send your application to [facultyrecruitment@edu.yorku.ca](mailto:facultyrecruitment@edu.yorku.ca) as a single PDF file . Application materials should include:

- A cover letter describing your expertise and suitability for this position, as well as your availability;
- A detailed and up-to-date CV;
- A reprint of a relevant publication;
- Contact information for two (2) referees.

The position is available immediately and the search will continue until filled. All applications are welcome but only potential candidates will be contacted.