



Laurentian University
Université Laurentienne

HARQUAIL School of Earth Sciences
École des sciences de la Terre

DIRECTOR MSc PROGRAM - APPLIED MINERAL EXPLORATION

The *Harquail School of Earth Sciences* (HES) at Laurentian University invites applications for a **limited-term appointment** as **Director of the Applied MSc Program in Mineral Exploration**, starting on as soon as possible.

The Program Director will coordinate the School's efforts to expand the Applied MSc Program in Mineral Exploration. The goal is to ensure that our strong, well-established, and globally recognized program remains aligned with the geoscience and related skills needed to lead in the mineral exploration industry, solidifying its position as one of the premier applied programs worldwide. Responsibilities will include designing and implementing program growth strategies and courses, with support from the university administration, industry partners, and other academic institutions, to increase national and international enrollment. Program development will consider bridging gaps with other disciplines relevant to the entire mining cycle (e.g., engineering, business, environmental remediation). The successful candidate is also expected to deliver or coordinate graduate courses in the Applied MSc program.

The successful candidate will have the following qualifications:

- An MSc or PhD degree in *Earth Sciences* or related field.
- Experience working in and interacting extensively with the mineral exploration industry.
- Experience working closely with academics. Teaching experience is an asset.
- Demonstrated communication, organizational, and project management skills.
- A commitment to promoting a diverse, inclusive and vibrant academic and work environment.

The Harquail School of Earth Sciences (HES.laurentian.ca) is home to the Mineral Exploration Research Center (MERC.laurentian.ca), the lead organization for the [Metal Earth Project](#), the largest mineral exploration research project in Canada. Laurentian University, Canada's Mining University, is also home to the [Goodman School of Mines](#), the [Bharti School of Engineering and Computer Science](#), and the Mining Innovation, Rehabilitation, and Applied Research Corporation ([MIRARCO](#)).

Laurentian University, located on Atikameksheng Anishnawbek territory in Sudbury, Ontario, serves over 8000 students and is one of two bilingual universities in the province of Ontario. Committed to its bilingual, tri cultural mandate, Laurentian University offers an outstanding university experience in English and French with a comprehensive approach to Indigenous education. Laurentian's beautiful, forested campus is surrounded by freshwater lakes, conservation lands, and hundreds of kilometres of cross-country and hiking trails while situated in the geographic centre of Greater Sudbury, northern Ontario's major urban centre (population 160,000). Laurentian University has close and productive ties to Science North, SNOLAB, Health Sciences North and multiple post-secondary institutions.

Application Requirements

A complete application package should be sent **as a single PDF file** to the Office of the Provost and Vice-President Academic (academic-careers@laurentian.ca) with the following subject line: **Application for Director MSc Program in Applied Mineral Exploration**

A complete application includes the following:

- A cover letter (including a statement about citizenship/resident status as specified below).
- An up-to-date Curriculum Vitae.
- A statement with a vision of what the best comprehensive graduate program in mineral exploration should have and how to build it.
- A statement of teaching experience and teaching philosophy.
- The names and contact information for at least three references, preferably a combination of academic and industry.

Applicants should also arrange to have three letters of reference sent to the email address above. The deadline for receipt of applications is February 13, 2025, or until the position is filled.

Laurentian University is an inclusive and welcoming community committed to employment equity. Applications are encouraged from members of equity-seeking communities including women, racialized and Indigenous persons, persons with disabilities, and persons of all sexual orientations and gender identities/expressions. Laurentian University's bilingualism policy (Section 7.3.b) provides a provision regarding the language requirement for persons self-identifying as First Nations, Métis or Inuit. (<https://laurentian.ca/bilingualism>) The successful candidate will be part of the Laurentian University Faculty Association (LUFA). Candidates are encouraged to consult the Collective Agreement at www.lufappul.ca.

Laurentian University is committed to providing an inclusive and barrier free experience to applicants with accessibility needs. Requests for accommodation can be made at any stage during the recruitment process. Please contact the Office of the Provost and Vice-President Academic for more information (pvpa@laurentian.ca).

All qualified persons are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.

To comply with federal laws, the University is obliged to gather statistical information as to how many applicants for each job vacancy are Canadian citizens / permanent residents of Canada. Applicants need not identify their country of origin or citizenship; however, all applicants must include one of the following statements: "I am a Canadian citizen / permanent resident of Canada"; OR, "I am not a Canadian citizen / permanent resident of Canada" in their cover letter. Applications that do not include this information will be deemed incomplete.