

Program Director, Shad Ryerson

Location: Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario

Shad Canada is a STEAM and entrepreneurship program for students in grades 10 and 11. During the immersive month-long program, students live on campus and participate in a real-world design challenge that prepares them to take on social and economic challenges. Shad's program is transformational and life-changing and many participants go on to innovate and start their own businesses. Shad has been running since 1980 and has more than 20,000 alumni.

Ryerson University is proud to be a host campus partner for the Shad program.

Shad Ryerson is seeking an energetic-champion for youth with a keen interest and background in STEAM and/or entrepreneurship to lead the program in a 21st century learning environment.

As Program Director at Shad Ryerson, you will be involved in all aspects of the program – from assisting in the team member hiring and program logistics, to designing, planning and leading program content, and mentoring and coaching high school students to realize their full potential. The Program Director role is a Shad contract compensated position with support from both Shad and Ryerson.

The ideal candidate will:

- Other recruiting and outreach marketing tasks as assigned
- Be a passionate educator (high school or post-secondary) or entrepreneur, ideally with experience teaching science or math, who likes to be surrounded with excellence.
- Be knowledgeable about youth development, able to support youth in the learning process and able to act as a resource to other team members.
- Have a desire to inspire and motivate youth as they become emerging leaders.
- Have full-time availability in July and be willing to live in residence on campus for the month.
- Develop and lead the team training for several days prior to the start of the program.
- Be able to spend the equivalent of 1-2 days per month in the lead up to July for program planning activities.
- Prior experience with programs such as the Canada-Wide Science Fair or other programs aimed at inspiring exceptional high-school students is an asset.
- This opportunity is for an initial term of 3 years, 2022 - 2025 programs, and renewable yearly based on review and mutual agreement to move forward.

Start date: December 2021

Apply today to join the Shad Ryerson team. Those interested should email a resume and cover letter to Farhan Zia, Senior Manager, Strategic Initiatives at farhanzia@ryerson.ca with the subject line "Shad Director Application" addressed to Shad Ryerson by November 19, 2021.

You can contact Farhan Zia, Senior Manager, Strategic Initiatives at farhanzia@ryerson.ca, or Eileen Polson, VP, National Programs, Shad Canada at Eileen@shad.ca for further information.

