



ONTARIO UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS: FOOTBALL REFEREE-IN-CHIEF

ABOUT ONTARIO UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS

Ontario University Athletics (OUA) is the governing body of university sport in Ontario and a recognized leader and contributor to the Ontario and Canadian Sport System. Comprised of twenty universities across Ontario, OUA delivers a diversified sport model that achieves excellence in competition, fair-play, ethical leadership, equitable opportunities and high quality student-athlete experiences within an educational environment.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

The **Referee-in-Chief** (RIC) will be a key leader in OUA Football, and report to the Director of Sport. The Referee-in-Chief's role is to oversee all aspects of officials for OUA Football. Responsibilities include the assignment of officials for all preseason, regular season, and playoff games, as well as the implementation of an effective officials evaluation process. The RIC will provide recommendations for assignments to U SPORTS Bowl Games and be responsible for the recruitment of new officials into the OUA.

The RIC will act as a key liaison for the OUA with Football Canada, CFOA, OFA, OFOA, and OUFOA on technical matters, and work with U SPORTS and its conferences on the harmonization of national rules. The RIC will also work closely with the CFL officials group on evaluation and development, as well as develop and implement annual officials and coach development clinics.

Working closely with the Director of Sport, OUA Football Leadership Group, and the OUA office, the RIC will provide recommendations on the development of player safety policies and support the enforcement of league sanctions. The RIC will also attend OUA football meetings, and will be expected to provide regular, effective communication with OUA Head Coaches.

Practices and procedures relating to the financial management of OUA officials will be overseen by this position. The RIC will be expected to be available on weekdays and Saturdays throughout the fall OUA football season.

QUALIFICATIONS

- 10+ years of experience of elite-level officiating (e.g. U Sports, CFL, etc.)
- 5+ years of management experience
- Good standing with the CFOA/OFOA
- Strong technical knowledge of Canadian amateur football rules, OUA football rules, and U Sports rules

APPLICATIONS

Any questions on this position can be directed to matthew.davies@oua.ca. No phone calls please.

Please submit your resumé and cover letter to:

Ontario University Athletics (OUA)
3305 Harvester Rd., Unit 2
Burlington, ON L7N 3N2
E-mail: matthew.davies@oua.ca
Attn: Matthew Davies, Director of Sport
Re: Football Referee-in-Chief

Please note that the posting will remain open until the position has been filled. Ontario University Athletics is an equal opportunity employer.