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The Restoration of Natural Systems Program seeks a Sessional Lecturer for ER 331 Urban Restoration and Sustainable Agricultural Systems

1.5 units - October 22-26, 2025

Appointment within CUPE 4163 (Component 3) Sessional Lecturers

The Restoration of Natural Systems Program at the University Of Victoria seeks a Sessional Instructor for ER331, *Urban Restoration and Sustainable Agricultural Systems* which will be offered with a combination of credit and non-credit seats, as part of the RNS Diploma and Certificate Programs.

Urban areas and agricultural lands are highly modified landscapes. ER331 examines how an ecological perspective can be applied to restoring urban areas and approaches to agriculture that promote sustainability and support biodiversity. The course covers two related topics: urban restoration and urban agriculture including sustainable agricultural systems.

ER 331 *Urban Restoration and Sustainable Agricultural Systems* will be offered within the fall term as a 5-day in-person course from 8:30am-4:30pm daily from Wednesday October 22 to Sunday October 26, 2025. *These dates are not flexible.*

Some additional meeting time outside of the instructional hours (prior to and following the course) is required

Qualifications:

Candidates must have teaching experience at the undergraduate level. A completed MA or PhD in a relevant field is required. Candidates who are ABD are also encouraged to apply. Preference will be be given to applicants who have experience teaching in an ecological restoration field and a combination of expertise and experience appropriate to the course.

To Apply:

Interested applicants should submit a brief letter of interest, CV, the names of two references and a one-page overview of the proposed structure of the course to the attention of **Tusa Shea**, **Program Coordinator**, **Division of Continuing Studies at tusas@uvic.ca** no later than **Monday**, **April 14**, **2025 at 3:30pm**.

The letter of interest should indicate what qualifications prepare you for teaching this course. After hiring is completed, instructor(s) will work with the Restoration of Natural Systems program to finalize the course syllabus. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian Immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.

We anticipate filling the position by May 1, 2025. **Please note** that the University reserves the right to fill additional teaching assignments from the pool of applicants for this posting and that all positions are



offered subject to the course meeting minimum enrollment requirements. The University reserves the right to cancel the course(s) if the minimum enrollment is not met.

If you have questions or would like more information about the program please contact:

Tusa Shea, Program Coordinator, Restoration of Natural Systems Program, Division of Continuing Studies email: tusas@uvic.ca

Territory Acknowledgement

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Equity statement

UVic is committed to upholding the values of equity, diversity, inclusion and human rights in our living, learning and work environments. In pursuit of our values, we seek members who are eager to actively participate in that shared responsibility. We actively encourage applications from members of historically and systemically marginalized groups. Read our full equity statement.

