

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Drs. Angele Alook and Deborah McGregor are leading a research project administered through the Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Languages at York University and supported by York University's Catalyzing Interdisciplinary Research Cluster fund called *Indigenous Climate Leadership and Self-Determined Futures*. They are seeking 2 part time Graduate student to work on the project from April 1, 2023 to Dec 31, 2023.

Position Details

9-month contract (April 1, 2023 - Dec 31, 2023)

10 hours/week

\$1170/month (for MA students)

\$1350/month (for PhD students)

Overview and Job Purpose

The Research Assistant will join the project, "Indigenous Climate Leadership and Self-Determined Futures" funded by York University's Catalyzing Interdisciplinary Research Cluster fund. The project is composed of an interdisciplinary team of faculty at York University and seeks to generate understanding of, and build support for, Indigenous climate leadership. The selected candidate will receive direct mentorship from Dr. Angele Alook, Assistant Professor in the School of Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies and Dr. Deborah McGregor, Associate Professor in the Faculty of Environment and Urban Change and Osgoode Hall Law School.

Major Responsibilities*Conduct and Analyze Interviews*

- Participate in the interview process and planning logistics around interviews.
- May assist in intergenerational knowledge sharing circles.
- Provides analysis of the information recorded (may involve writing transcriptions and/or working with transcription and analysis software programs).
- Conducts literature reviews to assist Dr. Alook in writing publications from the data collected.

Outreach and Knowledge Mobilization

- Promotes the work of the research team through different mediums.
- Works with our Indigenous stakeholders and develops opportunities for collaboration.
- Updates the CIKL website with project updates.
- Assists in developing new multi-media outputs for the project (e.g. video projects, social media, podcasts, etc.)

Grant Applications

- Works collaboratively with the research team in preparing grant applications.
- Conduct literature reviews and identify gaps in research to highlight the significance of the proposed research.

Coordinate Events and Gatherings

- Assists the Community Based Researcher in organizing 2 gatherings planned: one in mid-May and another in September.
- Creates flyers and promotes events as needed.
- Attends regular meetings with the research team and takes notes as needed.

Qualifications

- Must be a York University student enrolled in a Masters or PhD program.
- Strong attention to detail is required for this position.
- Very orderly professional with superior organizational skills to simultaneously handle conflicting priorities and meet tight deadlines.
- Experience with data analysis and conducting interviews.
- Respect for confidentiality, intellectual property, and ethical standards.
- Flexibility and resourcefulness to provide a solution in times of need.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills in English.
- Experience working with Indigenous communities.
- A strong understanding of Indigenous research methodologies, and feminist and decolonial approaches to research and analysis. Also, those with an understanding the intersections of climate justice, one health, gender, and Indigenous languages will be considered strong assets.

Candidates who are members of Indigenous, Black, racialized and 2SLGBTQ+ communities, persons with disabilities, and other equity deserving groups are encouraged to apply, and their lived experience shall be taken into consideration as applicable to the posted position.

Application Deadline

March 26, 2023

How to Apply

Submit a CV and a cover letter outlining why you are interested in the position by email to Nathalie LaCoste Ling (cikl@yorku.ca). Cover letters should be addressed to Drs. Alook and McGregor.

If you have any questions, please email cikl@yorku.ca