

Post Date: Friday, October 11, 2019

Research Assistant **First Peoples Studies: *Decolonizing science***

A temporary Research Assistant position is available immediately in **First Peoples Studies, (School of Community and Public Affairs)**, Concordia University, to collaborate in the project “**Decolonizing Light – Tracing and Countering Colonialism in Contemporary Physics**”. The goal of the project is to explore different ways and approaches of decolonizing science and academia and to bring Indigenous knowledges to academic attention. The interdisciplinary project team consists of individuals with diverse backgrounds in First Peoples Studies, Indigenous pedagogy, science education, and physics. Supervisor of this RA position is Dr. Louellyn White.

The successful candidate will have conversations with Indigenous Elders and Knowledge Keepers to revitalize Indigenous knowledge (stories, narratives, concepts) about light and its role in Indigenous culture and philosophies.

Responsibilities:

- Literature research
- Visiting Indigenous Communities
- Having regular conversations with Indigenous Elders and Knowledge Keepers
- Documenting, transcribing and editing these conversations
- Writing reports about the conversations to be published on the project’s website
- Attending project meetings

Requirements:

- At least 4th year Bachelor or Master’s level
- Experience in audio file transcription
- Experience in working with Indigenous Communities
- Excellent writing skills in English
- ***Knowledge of Indigenous language is an asset.***

Applications must include:

- A one-page cover letter stating experience and how requirements are met
- Full curriculum vitae
- Names and titles of two referees along with contact information.
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Salary Range:

- \$18/hr (incl Holiday and Vacation Pay) - Bachelor’s level
- \$23/hr (incl Holiday and Vacation Pay) - Master’s level

Hours in total: 90 (10-15 hours per month, monthly work schedule may vary)

Duration: From 1st November 2019 to 31th May 2020

The deadline to apply for this position is **October 31th, 2019**

Submit application by email to Dr. Louellyn White, louellyn.white@concordia.ca

Concordia University is committed to Employment Equity and encourages applications from women, aboriginal peoples, visible minorities, ethnic minorities, and persons with disabilities.