Invitation to Apply to the Following Position:
Indigenous Community Liaison Coordinator
(Part-time, Research Assistant)

Under the supervision of the Teaching and Learning Centre team, specifically Sarah Louise Turner, Project Co-Lead, a part-time research assistant position Indigenous Community Liaison Coordinator is open to all graduate students at SFU.

Project Title:
Developing Critical Understandings of Land and Place at Simon Fraser University

Project Description
The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC) has called upon postsecondary institutions to meaningfully engage Indigenous communities and be leaders in reconciliation. In response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission’s Call to Action the Indigenous Community Liaison Coordinator’s over-arching goal and work will focus on developing a multimedia resource that will detail critical understandings of land and place at SFU.

In so doing the Community Liaison Coordinator (with others) will focus on the following: (a) organize film interviews with local Indigenous leaders for the development of a multi-media resource that will detail critical understandings of land and place at SFU from a decolonized perspective (b) assist the TLC and faculty member as needed to set-up and assist with film interviews of local Indigenous leaders; (c) assist faculty member and members of the TLC team to collect materials for a multimedia resource and the development of teaching resources based in local Indigenous communities and histories.

Responsibilities:

Organize and Coordinate 9 Interviews with Local Indigenous Cultural/Political Leaders
• A minimum of 9 film interviews with Indigenous cultural and political leaders (from July 15th-September 30th), including working with cultural protocols and identifying film sites for interviews.
• Work with TLC production team for film set up and interviews of local Indigenous leaders.
• Contact and liaise with local Indigenous communities to identify and obtain photographs, art maps, still images, music, texts, and any other resources that can be used for the multimedia resource.
• Meet regularly with lead faculty member, Dr. Amy Parent, and TLC team to provide updates and scheduling information.
• Collect materials for a website of teaching resources based in local communities and histories, including collating material for text-based modules.
• Collaborate with the TLC production team on the planning and design for the integration of the collected interviews into resources for specific audiences.
• Assist in the development of guidelines for the incorporation of these multimedia resources into SFU courses, programs and faculty professional development initiatives.
Qualifications / Requirements:
• Knowledge of Indigenous issues, education, history, cultural practices, with a sensitivity to cross cultural issues and awareness
• Must have previous experience coordinating and organizing Indigenous community events.
• Strong inter-personal, organizational skills and a team player
• Strong communication skills (oral and written)
• A self starter that would like to enhance their research, analytical reasoning, and problem solving skills through a paid experiential learning opportunity
• Ability to arrange appropriate travel within the lower mainland
• Proficient in the use of word processing and online and multimedia technologies

Time commitment: August 1, 2018 (ASAP) to December 2018, 5 – 10 hours per week

Compensation: $25.00/hour (Masters Student) to $30.00/hr (Doctoral Student) includes 4% vacation and statutory holiday pay

A detailed CV and cover letter must be received via email by 4:30 pm on July 24th, 2018, addressed to the attention John Born, Manager, Learning and Educational Media, Teaching and Learning Centre, jborn@sfu.ca.

We appreciate all replies to this position posting, however, we will only contact short-listed applicants.

Simon Fraser University offers equal employment opportunities to qualified applicants.