Job Title: Graduate Research Assistant

Project: Indigenous Knowledge Matters: Understanding Relationships Between Culture and Precarity for Indigenous Life Journeys

Location: University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC) and participating northern BC communities (Nak'azdli and Lheidli T'enneh)

Hours: Approximately 10 hours per week **Term**: November 2025-October 2026

Wage: \$29.94 with mandatory employment related costs

Project Overview: This project explores the long-term impacts of Indigenous cultural knowledge programming on Indigenous Peoples' experiences with education, employment, health, housing, and disability. Guided by Indigenous research methodologies and the Four Rs (respect, relevance, reciprocity, and responsibility), the work centers community voices and partnerships in northern BC.

Position Summary: The Graduate Research Assistant (GRA) will support all aspects of the research project in close collaboration with the academic and community research teams. This includes coordination, data collection, and knowledge mobilization activities. The GRA will be jointly supervised by team members from UNBC and the Prince George Aboriginal Business Development Centre (ABDC). Some travel outside of Prince George may be required.

Key Responsibilities

- Coordinate logistics and communications between project team members and community partners
- Assist with recruitment and consent processes
- Conduct and/or support interviews and focus groups (in-person or via Zoom)
- Transcribe and organize collected data
- Assist with coding and qualitative data analysis
- Support preparation of reports, presentations, and publications
- Participate in community events and knowledge-sharing activities
- Maintain confidentiality and data security protocols at all times (sign a confidentiality agreement)

Required Qualifications

- Enrolled in a graduate program at UNBC
- Strong interest in Indigenous research and community-based methodologies
- Excellent communication and organizational skills
- Ability to work independently and as part of a collaborative team
- Familiarity with qualitative research methods
- Experience working with Indigenous communities
- Cultural humility and respect for Indigenous knowledge systems

Assets

- Previous experience with research interviews or transcription
- Understanding of OCAP principles and Indigenous research ethics
- Knowledge of or lived experience in northern BC Indigenous communities

To Apply

Please submit a brief cover letter and résumé to Hart Banack at hart.banack@unbc.ca.