Indigenous Undergraduate Summer Research Opportunity

**Job Title:** Summer Research Student

**Job Description:** The Research Assistant is responsible for assisting the faculty member in a variety of non-administrative tasks, which may include preparing resources, equipment, materials for the research, documenting results, etc. in support of the research activities. The research project is intended to provide the opportunity to learn proper research procedures and techniques. The supervising faculty is responsible for providing ongoing feedback and a formal assessment at the conclusion of the assistantship.

**Qualifications:**

- Currently enrolled as an undergraduate student at the University of Manitoba (1+ years)
- Subject knowledge and oral/written communication skills to discuss and document research progress
- Ability to work independently, accurately and to problem solves technical and methodological issues that arise during the course of the research
- Ability to apply sound research techniques, methodology and logical critical analysis
- Strong organization and interpersonal skills

**Duties and responsibilities:**

- Research and collects data through complex techniques and procedures, library research, structured interviews or other project specific methodology
- Interprets, synthesizes and analyzes data
- Schedules, organizes and reports on status of research activities
- Plans and modifies research techniques, procedures, tests, equipment or software management
  - Writes and edits materials for publication and presentation
- Meets with faculty supervisor on regular basis to maintain ongoing communication regarding the quality of the assistant’s performance
- Performs other related duties as required
How to Apply

Deadline: Friday, March 9, 2018
Preference will be given to qualified Indigenous applicants. Please self-declare in Cover Letter.
University level: Undergraduate
Application method: Email
Required application materials:
  - Cover Letter
  - Resume
  - A statement indicating the school, program, and year that you are currently enrolled in
References: 2
Notification process: Only those applicants receiving interviews will be contacted
Decision expected: Friday, March 23, 2018

The Project

Project title: A Purposeful Pause: Creating a Culture of Change to Promote Indigenous Knowledge, Education, and Scholarship Achievement at the College of Pharmacy

Project description: It was determined that a preliminary step in the initiative to advance indigenous knowledge, education and scholarship achievement within the College of Pharmacy would include a comprehensive assessment of the knowledge and requirements of our current students and staff. These evaluations will include a baseline assessment of Indigenous knowledge and cultural competency, as well as a comprehensive review regarding research, student and course development requirements. This extensive College-wide scan (faculty, staff, students) will be approached using multiple methods, including developed surveys and focus groups. This assessment will inform the development of a purposeful and meaningful blueprint and corresponding action items that will guide future programming, curricular changes, faculty development and resource utilization integral to the advancement Indigenous knowledge, education and scholarship within the College of Pharmacy. This project is funded through the Indigenous Initiatives Fund.

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Job Terms

Number of positions: 1
Job dates: May 7, 2018 – August 24, 2018
Hours per week: 35/full-time
Salary: $8,000 for 16 week period, paid bi-weekly