

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: **RESEARCH ASSISTANT**



Position Type: Part-time contract
Rate: \$35-\$45/hour
Hours per week: 5 hours/week
Duration of contract: ASAP to March 30, 2019

ABOUT YELLOWHEAD

The Institute is a research centre based in the [Faculty of Arts](#) at Ryerson University in Toronto, Ontario. Privileging First Nation philosophy and rooted in community networks, Yellowhead offers critical and accessible resources for communities in their pursuit of self-determination. We also aim to foster education and dialogue on First Nation governance between the University and the wider community, and among Indigenous peoples and Canadians. The Institute recently launched on June 05, 2018.

Our Mission: *Generating critical policy perspectives in support of First Nation jurisdiction.*

ABOUT THE POSITION

The Research Assistant will assist Dr. Damien Lee in the delivery of a Ryerson Faculty of Arts-funded project entitled *Indigenous Self-Government in Canada and Russia: A Comparative Approach*. The purpose of the project is to establish principles for international political research collaboration between Indigenous scholars in Canada and Russia.

Duties include collaborating on the following:*

- Prepare background materials for a project meeting taking place in Iowa, USA in mid-February, 2019. Note: The research assistant is not expected to join this meeting, and there are no project funds to support travel.
- Provide support to meeting participants on an as-needed basis.
- Assist Dr. Lee in preparing minutes and other materials produced or called for during the meeting noted above.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Must be enrolled as a graduate student at Ryerson or another Canadian university (preference given to PhD students but masters students are strongly encouraged to apply);
- Preference will be given to those whose work experience or education focus deal with Indigenous governance and international issues in a critical way;
- Excellent written communication skills and attention to detail;
- Demonstrated understanding of settler colonialism;
- Have access to computer equipment and internet;
- Must be Indigenous.

HOW TO APPLY

Please send a CV and cover letter (maximum one page) outlining interest and qualifications to info@yellowheadinstitute.org by **February 18, 2019**. Cover letters can be addressed to:

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