

Research Assistant Position

Job Description: The Research Assistant (RA) will be required to conduct a thorough literature search of new and relevant academic articles on the topic of Inuit perinatal wellness. RA will also review articles provided by the research team and develop a database, extensive annotated bibliography, and initial literature review (draft). Two positions are available.

Responsibilities:

The RA will participate in training(s) related to conducting a systematic review (or scoping review, to be determined) of the articles. The RAs will work together to develop and then work within a database to code articles based on identified search terms (strings) as developed with the team, assess quality/relevance of the articles found, summarize and interpret the findings. The RAs will review all findings and their work with the team, making sure to flag and/or highlight particularly relevant or important articles during regular team meetings. All articles will be described briefly within an annotated bibliography, and then into an initial literature review.

The RA will keep track of their time spent on each activity (template provided), respond in a timely fashion (i.e., within a week) to emails from the team, and participate virtually in meetings/ by telephone as needed.

Work will commence end of April/beginning of May, 2022. The database must be completed by the end of June, and the annotated bibliography and draft review provided to the team by September 2022.

Following this contract, opportunity to co-author an academic article that incorporates the material developed is possible. Additional contracts for work may be possible.

Requirements:

Attending/or have attended NS

Clear communication skills, ability to take initiative and to work independently, and to participate as part of a team are required

Strong computer skills and knowledge of Excel, NVivo, Refworks etc. are assets

Compensation/Job Length:

\$25/hour for 178 hours of work + 19% benefits (5 months employment at approximately 9 hours/week) + possibility of extension

To apply:

Please send a resume and cover letter to patricia.johnston@viu.ca by April 15, 2022