

Income Assistance Researcher

Summary: The Mi'gmaq and Wolastoqiyik wish to move forward with the development of an Indigenous Social Delivery Program for their communities based on their inherent right to self-govern.

Over the next 15 months, to support the development of an Indigenous Social Delivery Program, the Mi'gmaq and Wolastoqiyik will be undertaking research, policy development, engagement with leadership and communities, and capacity development to support the Mi'gmaq and Wolastoqiyik Social Development Administrators.

The Internal Income Assistance Working Group is currently seeking to contract a **Full-Time Researcher**, to carry out the following:

Duties:

- Research and analyze indigenous income assistance programs from across Canada;
- Research and analyze related income assistance issues, i.e guaranteed income assistance supplement;
- Research and analyze existing self government agreements;
- Prepare draft reports on research findings for review;
- Work in conjunction with, and take direction from, the Project Manager; and
- Any other relevant research duties.

Qualifications:

- Completion or partial-completion of a post-secondary degree in social sciences or relevant work experience in a related field;
- Knowledge and experience in working with First Nations in the Maritimes.
- Strong organization and interpersonal skills with attention to detail.
- Ability to prioritize, coordinate and multi-task and demonstrate initiative.
- Strong familiarity with Mi'kmaq and/or Wolastoqiyik history, culture, language, traditions and Mi'kmaq / First Nation community issues and perspectives.
- Strong research skills.
- Knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite programs.
- Valid driver's licence and access to a vehicle.

Term: The selected candidate will ideally start immediately for a term contract of 15 months.

Salary: Commensurate with experience.

While we encourage all qualified persons to apply; qualified Aboriginal applicants will be given priority in accordance with the Aboriginal Employment Preference policy of the Canadian Human Rights Commission.

Deadline for application is Friday, September 14, 2018 at 5 pm AST

Please forward resume, cover letter and two reference to Jennifer Coleman at jennifer@migmawel.org.

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.