



SUMMER STUDENT - DISEED RESEARCH ASSISTANT REGINA CAMPUS

The Organization:

With over 2,000 students and over 145 faculty and staff at three campuses, First Nations University of Canada provides an opportunity for students of all nations to learn in an environment of First Nations cultures and values. With a 37 year history, the University continues to uphold its mission of enhancing the quality of life, and to preserve, protect and interpret the history, language, culture and artistic heritage of First Nations people. The University is a unique place of learning specializing in Indigenous knowledge and providing post-secondary education for Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal students alike within a culturally supportive environment. First Nations University is a federated college of the University of Regina, and its academic programs are accredited through that institution.

Duties and Responsibilities: In this research project, we will examine the chemical composition of native prairie plants growing in Southern Saskatchewan and explore other skill-building exercises in the laboratory. Students may have an opportunity to meet with Elders, collect plants, and perform lab analyses. It is not expected that the student will know the lab techniques, but we are looking for a student who has a strong desire to learn.

Duties are to include but not limited to:

- To meet with Elders.
- To collect plants.
- To do a literature review.
- To perform lab analyses such as plant extraction.
- Other relevant duties as assigned.

Qualifications: Applicants should be enrolled in an undergraduate program, preferably at the First Nations University of Canada. Aboriginal (First Nations, Métis, Inuit) students will be given priority.

Skills & Abilities:

- Interest in plants and chemical laboratory analyses;
- Understanding of First Nations histories, cultures and protocols;
- Excellent organization, communication and writing skills;
- Reliable, responsible, and punctual.

Hours of Work: The workload will be the equivalent of 100 hours spread out over the summer. The appointment will

increase if more funding is received. The number of hours is also dependent upon the salary.

Length of Term: From June to August 2018

Salary: \$13.08 - \$17.90 per hour, based on educational level.

Deadline: May 18, 2018

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Application Procedure:

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply. The First Nations University of Canada relies on section 48 of *The Saskatchewan Human Rights Code* to give preference in employment for this position; therefore please indicate your status on the cover letter.