



Research Assistant Position Available
Partnership for Research with African Newcomers (PRAN)
Tuesday, November 28, 2023

JOB SUMMARY:

The Partnership for Research with African Newcomers (PRAN) (Website: <https://pran-network.ca/>) is looking for a suitable candidate to support research and academic manuscript development on several projects funded by Canadian agencies including the Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), and Women and Gender Equality (WAGE).

Headed by Dr. Philomina Okeke-Ihejirika, PRAN is a national, partnership research program aimed at enhancing the lives of people of African descent through research, community engagement and policy development. Current projects are collaborative initiatives between PRAN and community-based partners organizations.

Reporting to the PRAN research project manager and working in collaboration with members of the PRAN team, the RA will be responsible for supporting the development of manuscripts from several projects including the topics of intimate partner violence, entrepreneurship, and gender and work. While not required to have knowledge and expertise in any or all of these areas, successful candidates will demonstrate curiosity and enthusiasm to quickly learn and integrate knowledge on new topics. Major responsibilities include:

Manuscript development at various stages:

- Literature review and updating literature reviews, with coherent analyses of results to support manuscript development;
- Qualitative data analysis (coding and re-coding of transcripts for developing thematic analyses of results);
- Interpretation of quantitative survey results;
- Development of discussion sections of manuscripts (including the implications of findings) emerging from study results (qualitative and quantitative);
- Submission of manuscripts to appropriate publication outlets.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Master's degree in relevant social science or health science fields (e.g. women's and gender studies, sociology, public health, nursing, education, anthropology, political science, etc.).
- Doctoral students are preferred;
- Previous experience writing and editing for academic publications;
- Experience and skills in qualitative or quantitative social science;
- Excellent computer skills (e.g. Microsoft Office Suite, word processing);
- Excellent academic research and writing skills, including literature review, results interpretation, academic editing, and academic copy-editing skills;

- Excellent skills in academic referencing.

The successful candidate will require the following attributes:

- Excellent command of the English language; fluency in French is an advantage.
- Intrinsic motivation and ability to work independently;
- Innate curiosity;
- Adaptability;
- Careful attention to detail;
- Familiarity with African and/or African Canadian communities;
- Strong time management, organizational and problem-solving skills;
- Interest in research topics related to immigrant and/or African Canadian communities.

Depending on performance, position may be extended

Job Type: Part-time

Location: Edmonton or remote

Approximate total number of hours: 150-300

Number of hours/week: 8-10 hours/week

Wage: \$25.07/hour; Negotiable depending on candidate's expertise and experience.

Deadline to apply: Application review will commence December 4 and applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is found. The Current Opportunities [webpage](#) of the PRAN website will be kept up-to-date with any developments regarding the availability of the position.

Position start date: The position will begin as soon as a suitable candidate is chosen.

Interested candidates should submit 1) a cover letter, 2) an up-to-date CV, 3) a sample of their academic writing and 4) include "APPLICATION – PRAN_RA POSITION" in the subject line of the email. Please email to Heidi Hoernig (Senior Project Manager) at pranrpm@ualberta.ca.