



Title: Research Facilitator

Faculty: School of Architecture, Planning and Landscape

Job Family: Specialist/Advisor

A research group led by Professor Mauricio Soto-Rubio is seeking a Research Facilitator to work as the designated representative of the Swan River First Nation. Professor Mauricio Soto-Rubio is an assistant professor at the University of Calgary who has worked in housing projects with communities across Latin America. His projects have examined and helped to develop affordable housing strategies with strong community participation and empowerment. In this new project, the research group aims to work with the Swan River community to determine practices to augment housing options with improved durability and cultural adequateness. The right candidate will offer support to members of the community and the research group organizing engagement activities and ensuring cultural protocols are followed. The research facilitator will strive to maintain a positive collaborative relationship between parties and act as a mediator between community members and researchers to best create connections and establish more culturally appropriate housing solutions that can effectively benefit the community.

Principal Duties:

- Assist in the communication between community members and researchers.
- Participate and facilitate discussions during focus group sessions with members of the community.
- Support the development of culturally appropriate housing options to the community.
- Ensure cultural protocols are followed.
- Identify opportunities to facilitate and build long-lasting relationships within the community.

Qualifications:

- Ability to provide culturally appropriate advice.
- Ability to work independently and build effective interpersonal relationships.
- Excellent communication skills.
- Knowledge of traditional practices of Swan River First Nation.
- A strong understanding of social, economic, political and historical concerns in Indigenous communities is required.

Job type: Indigenous Honorary

Job term: Fall 2021 (August – December)

Salary: 40-50 hrs per month. \$20/hr