

## **Research Assistant Opportunity Casual Position**

**Start Date:** As soon as possible.

**Overview:** One research assistant position is open to support a SSHRC-funded project examining experiences of the affordable housing sector in Nova Scotia.

### **Specific activities include, but are not limited to:**

- Conducting virtual interviews with people working in the NS housing sector
- Verifying transcripts of interviews
- Supporting data analysis of interviews
- Collaborating on the writing of manuscripts
- Participating in research team meetings

The successful candidate will work with, and directly report to, Dr. Katie MacDonald at Athabasca University. The successful candidate must have experience with qualitative research methods, knowledge of the affordable housing sector, and excellent writing skills. It is expected that the successful candidate will take the initiative and work well independently. They must have experience conducting qualitative interviews, as these tasks comprise a significant portion of this role. This is a casual position with flexible hours. However, a commitment of at least 6 hours/week is required. The rate of pay will be commensurate with experience and collective agreement provisions. All duties can be completed remotely.

### **Qualifications:**

- Interest in the research topic area
- Experience conducting interviews is essential
- Experience analyzing interviews
- Excellent organizational skills and high attention to detail
- Strong written communication skills
- Ability to take lead on research
- Self-starter with ability to work independently with minimal supervision

### **How to apply:**



Qualified individuals are encouraged to submit their application by email to Dr. Katie MacDonald at [macdonaldk@athabascau.ca](mailto:macdonaldk@athabascau.ca). Applications should include (as a single PDF file) a brief cover letter that summarizes your skills, interests and experience; a current resume or curriculum vitae; and the contact information for 1-2 references.

Evaluation of applications will begin immediately and will continue until a suitable candidate is found. All applicants are thanked for their interest in this position; however, only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

Athabasca University and the researchers are committed and seek to support equity in employment and research opportunities. We strongly encourage applications from Indigenous people, people of colour, people with disabilities, 2SLGBTQ+ people, women, and other historically marginalized groups. Applicants are welcome, but not required, to self-identify in their letter of application.

For more information on this Research Assistant Opportunity, please contact Dr. Katie MacDonald ([macdonaldk@athabascau.ca](mailto:macdonaldk@athabascau.ca))