



Research Assistant Position

Posting date: August 29, 2025

Closing date: September 4, 2025

The Faculty of Law, Queen's University, requests applications from suitably qualified JD students interested in a Research Assistant ("RA") position working with Professor Lisa M. Kelly.

Description:

This RA position involves research for a grant application about the cross-examination of child witnesses in criminal trials. The RA's primary task will be to review, summarize, and prepare citations for relevant academic literature on the following topics: i) social science research on the effects of traditional cross-examinations on child witnesses (both in terms of truth-seeking and psychological effects on the witness); ii) comparative law research on jurisdictions that have introduced different procedures for the cross-examination of child witnesses (especially the UK and Australia); and (iii) best practices for research involving human subject interviews (legal professionals and judges, specifically).

If you have any questions about the work involved, please contact Professor Kelly at lisa.kelly@queensu.ca

Qualifications:

Candidates should have relevant experience or training in social science and legal research, including familiarity with relevant search indexes, citation styles, and an ability to summarize articles. Candidates should be able to meet deadlines and work independently.

The work can be done remotely. RAs must have access to high-speed internet and a computer that meets minimum requirements. All work can be completed during the regular 9-5 work week, but candidates may work outside of that time frame if they prefer.

Length of contract: 30 days

Proposed start date: Monday, Sept. 8, 2025

Hours per week: 10 hours



Hourly Rate*: \$20.00/hour (+4% in lieu of vacation)

Application Procedure

Queen's is strongly committed to employment equity, diversity, and inclusion in the workplace and encourages applications from Black, racialized/visible minority and Indigenous people, women, persons with disabilities, and 2SLGBTQ+ persons. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.

Interested applicants should submit the following materials:

- (1) a short statement indicating your interests and experience related to the research
- (2) a resume
- (3) an informal transcript from Queen's Law. Applicants can include undergraduate transcripts if relevant to the research, but this is not required. Transcripts can be unofficial (e.g. SOLUS pdf, etc.)
- (4) any other material the applicant deems relevant (e.g. if you wish, you can include the name of a reference).

Professor Lisa M. Kelly will follow up with applicants directly.

Please address applications to:

Meadow Morrison, Human Resources Administrator

Email: lawpositions@queensu.ca

The University will provide support in its recruitment processes to applicants with disabilities, including accommodation that takes into account an applicant's accessibility needs. If you require accommodation during the application process, please contact Meadow Morrison.

For additional details and information on the position, please contact:

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