

Research Assistant Positions

Posting date: March 20, 2023 **Closing date**: March 30, 2023

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

Description:

Professor Metcalf is looking for 1-2 J.D. students to help with part-time research related to climate law and policy. There are several components to the research, so there will be some opportunity for RAs to do work that reflects their background and interests. The research includes federalism aspects of climate law and policy in Canada, as well as comparative research on climate law and policy in the US. Adaptation responses and the role of corporate actors in climate action will be themes this summer. The research includes some empirical studies on law and climate risk and policy. RAs will not be expected to directly contribute to the empirical analysis but should have some interest in helping with background research. The research will incorporate law and economics perspectives, as well as empirical methods used in behavioral economics / social psychology / politics. RAs are sought for part-time work that will continue over the summer (May-August).

Qualifications:

Applicants should have strong legal research and writing skills and an interest in climate law and policy. Research will also draw on secondary literature from related fields, such as economics, psychology and politics; experience and interest in these fields may be helpful but is not necessary. Please also note any skills related to empirical work, although these are not necessary.

The work for this position can be done remotely. The RA 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 can work outside of that time frame if they prefer.

Length of contract: 12 - 16 weeks (negotiable)

Hours per week: Approximately 10 hours per week

Hourly Rate: \$18.00/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/Aboriginal 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 (a) interests and experience related to the research, (b) availability from May 1, 2023
- (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 Metcalf will contact selected candidates to confirm mutually satisfactory hours and availability to complete research tasks during the rest of term and into the summer.

Please address applications to:

Diana Turner-Oke, Human Resources and Staffing Officer

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 Diana Turner-Oke.

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

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