**Land-Based Academic and Regional Outreach Coordinator**

**About Dechinta and the position**

Dechinta Centre for Research and Learning is an Indigenous-led land-based teaching and education institution that operates out of Yellowknife NWT. Since 2010 Dechinta has been delivering innovative university accredited programming with partnering Universities.

Dechinta is currently hiring for new positions to strengthen and diversify our programming across the north. This includes new partner development, and the support of innovative research and community training.

This position will support land based programming by leveraging community and academic engagement. This position works closely with the Dechinta faculty and instructional team to ensure programming is community responsive and co-developed.

This position is expected to be based full time in Yellowknife or another northern community.

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This position is driven by community needs, and is expected to work collaboratively with partner First Nations governments and organizational structure. This position works in consultation with the executive director and instructional team to develop and deliver land-based programming while supporting academic innovation.

**Key Responsibilities:**

* Relationship Building with communities, instructional staff and team members.
* Recruitment of students, including regional outreach and engagement.
* Identifying key stakeholders and building new regional partnerships.
* Identifying and supporting key academic partnerships opportunities and student/faculty engagement.
* Facilitating connections between community members and core instructional staff for curriculum development.
* Identification of key academic and pedagogical innovation, and support for implementation.
* Identifying community educational and research needs.
* Creating new program proposals in response to community needs.
* Initial Reporting back from each program.
* Identification and delivery of key training modules.

**Qualifications**

* Post-secondary degree in a relevant field, or equivalent experience.
* Evidence of commitment to Indigenous and community engaged approaches to education and programming.
* Commitment to anti-oppressive and decolonial workplace
* Experience working in a fast-paced team environment
* Demonstrated commitment to working ethically with Indigenous communities.
* Ability to deal with sensitive and/or confidential information in a professional manner
* Strong presentation, communication, and public speaking skills
* Strong program planning, implementation, problem-solving, and evaluation skills
* Strong organization skills and attention to detail, as well as the ability to manage multiple tasks and adapt to a changing work environment
* Ability to work in a small, fast-paced, and unpredictable environment
* Ability to work a flexible schedule, as some duties require evenings and weekend hours
* Excellent knowledge of post-secondary regulations and academic requirements.
* Excellent analytical and problem solving skills and demonstrated attention to detail.
* Ability to exercise mature judgment and initiative.
* Experience working with Indigenous knowledge keepers and Elders
* Ability to balance complex work place demands.
* Experience in land-based Camp set up and coordination
* Knowledge of appropriate research techniques in northern and Indigenous environments.
* Strong research, analytical and troubleshooting skills.
* Ability to work effectively with minimal supervision.
* Excellent organizational and time management skills
* Demonstrated first-hand experience in program/project development, implementation and evaluation.
* Experience in research program design and management.
* Knowledge of northern Canada.

**Working Conditions**

Working conditions can be physically and mentally challenging including long days and working in difficult conditions including wind, snow and ice. Position will be required to lift heavy objects and may come under mental stress and strain.

Significant travel and time on the land is anticipated.

This is a family friendly work environment. Staff are encouraged to include their families in programming whenever appropriate. We support flexible working arrangements, including staff working from home when required.

**How to Apply**

Please send a resume, names of three references and a cover letter outlining your previous land-based education/programming experience and approach to community engagement to admin@dechinta.ca. **Closing date is May 5 2020**.

Dechinta Centre for Research and Learning is committed to the values of equity, diversity and inclusion. All qualified persons are encouraged to apply; however, qualified who self-identify as First Nations, Métis, Inuit, and/or are northern residents will be given priority.

While we thank all candidates for their interest, only those shortlisted will be contacted.