Legal Researcher/ Research Assistant Summer Position

The Wahkohtowin Law and Governance Lodge (WLGL) is a dedicated research unit based out of the University of Alberta Faculties of Law and Native Studies.

The Wahkohtowin Lodge’s purpose is to be a sustainable, community-engaged, and interdisciplinary unit to:

1. Support Indigenous communities’ goals to identify, articulate, and implement their own laws and governance.
2. Develop, gather, amplify, and transfer wise practices, promising methods and research tools.
3. Produce useful and accessible practical governance resources and public legal education.

Our focus for this summer is to develop tools and resources to further Indigenous law and governance goals during times of physical distancing and beyond.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE:

- Online legal research and some social sciences research on a variety of subjects relating to Indigenous laws and governance, including child and family services, legislative development and on-reserve legal issues
- Drafting memos and assisting in the creation of high quality public legal education resources for the Lodge.
- Editing and assistance with online resources and facilitation as required.
- Working independently as part of a remote team and ensuring that assigned projects are carried out in a timely manner

REQUIREMENTS:

- Successful completion of 1L or 2L. Applicants with 3L, prior to or after articles, may also be considered for this position.
- Ability to work remotely and reliably access online resources with own computer
- Lived, professional and/or academic experience relating to Indigenous communities

This Legal Researcher/ Research Assistant position will be approximately 20-30 hours weekly from May 15-August 31, 2020. Please submit your CV, unofficial transcripts and a brief cover letter outlining your interest to avery.letendre@ualberta.ca by May 10, 2020.