

Job Posting

Police Data Transparency Project - Research Assistant Position - Institute of Criminology and Criminal Justice (ICCJ)

Funding and timelines:

- In accordance with CUPE 4600 Unit 1 Collective Agreement, the position provides an hourly rate of \$41.70 with 4% of salary as vacation pay.
- 180 hours from March 15, 2021 to August 30, 2021 (6 months / 24 weeks, ~7.5 hrs per week).

Project overview:

The ICCJ is working in collaboration with the Canadian Civil Liberties Association (CCLA) on a database of police-involved deaths across Canada. The project aims to draw attention to the lack of data collection and disclosure regarding police-involved deaths, race-based data, and deaths in custody. The project will include the development of an online, publicly accessible, searchable 'living' data set that incorporates crowd sourced data, which is regularly updated, and expanded as resources permit. The project aims to identify gaps in existing data and provide analysis of available data.

Tasks:

- Work on a collaborative team with members of the ICCJ and the CCLA.
- Undertake extensive online and archival research to identify police-involved deaths, race-based data, and deaths in custody not already documented in existing data sets.
- Clean newly collected data and format to integrate with existing data sets.
- Expand variables in existing data sets to broaden scope of database.
- Collaborate with team to support development of project database website.

Requirements:

- Must be a Carleton graduate student (MA or PhD).
- A background and familiarity with Criminology.
- Quantitative research skills. Qualitative research skills are an asset.
- Background, knowledge, and/or interest in research on policing, use of force, and access to information.
- Familiarity with Excel and statistical data programs.
- Preference will be given to Black, Indigenous and racialized candidates.

Application Procedure:

Please submit: a) a cover letter stating your suitability for the position; b) an academic CV. Applications should be **submitted by March 15, 2021**, and can be sent to: alexander.mccllland@carleton.ca