

FIRST NATIONS INSTITUTE OF HIGHER LEARNING

# **Employment Opportunities**

# Sessional Instructors for the Bachelor of First Nations Studies Program

The instructor's position is to provide direct instruction in the assigned classes to the students of Yellowquill University College. The instructor shall perform the instructional duties and responsibilities associated with the delivery of all classes.

Yellowquill University College (YQUC) is receiving applications for Sessional Instructors for the Bachelor of First Nations Studies (BFNS) program in **Winnipeg** for:

- BFNS 102: Indigenous Academic Writing (January 6, 2025 January 24, 2025)
- BFNS 103: History of First Nations Peoples of Canada (January 27, 2025 February 14, 2025)
- BFNS 108: Oral Traditions and Storytelling (February 18, 2025 March 11, 2025)
- BFNS 105: Indigenous Art (March 12, 2025 April 8, 2025)
- BFNS 110: Natural Sciences 1 (April 9, 2025 May 1, 2025).

# <u>Location: YQUC Annex Building 500 - 1300 Ellice Avenue</u> Times: Monday – Thursday – 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Friday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

We are excited to announce the launch of our program in January 2025, a vital step toward building stronger learning communities through the powerful concept of "Wahbung," which bridges our past with a promising future.

The Bachelor of First Nations Studies program is designed to deliver a robust foundation of First Nations studies courses that meet the certification requirements for licensed teachers and facilitate entry into a First Nations-centric Social Work program. The 30 courses will encompass a total of 90 credit hours, covering three years of study. Students major in Native Studies and minor in English Literature.

The Sessional Instructor is responsible for the instruction and delivery of specific courses of the BFNS degree program. The role of the Sessional Instructor is to plan, organize, and deliver the instruction as outlined in the course syllabus.

 Previous successful and effective instruction in a post-secondary institute is required. Instructors should also be considerate and respectful of students' instructional needs and concerns. All reporting as required for the course is the responsibility of the Sessional Instructor. Courses are taught in three-week blocks. The instructor will provide on-site direct instruction for 45 hours (3 hours per day), Monday to Friday. The instructor will also provide on-site office hours for 24 hours (2 hours per day), Monday to Thursday.

#### **Responsibilities:**

- Instruct courses as outlined in the course syllabus according to general and specific course objectives.
- Adhere, support and align with the philosophy and foundation of the BFNS program.
- Plan, organize, develop and deliver the course(s).
- Ensure students understand the course expectations and be flexible to meet their needs (within reason and per policy of the YQUC) and provide all students with topical outlines.
- Report students' marks and grades per assignment and final grading.
- Record and report students' attendance (requirement of YQUC).

## Skills & Qualifications:

- Master's or PhD degree in Education Administration, or similar, such as a Bachelor of Education degree
- Relative instructional experience in First Nations education and post-secondary education/training
- Experience working within a post-secondary environment
- Excellent organizational skills and adherence to deadlines
- Effective communication skills, written (documents) and verbal (presentations)
- Emphasis on teamwork and collegiality
- Self-motivated and able to work independently.

## Deadline: Open until filled.

Applications must include a cover letter, resume, and two letters of reference from previous employers. Please forward to:

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