

Graduate Research Assistant Opportunity
Casual Research Position (1 Position)
Artificial Intelligence Nursing Education Research

Position start date: July 1, 2025

Overview: This research position will support the development of a research program examining nursing education in the current technology context. This role will support the principal investigator in disseminating and advancing nursing education related to Artificial Intelligence (AI) integration, AI faculty literacy, and ethics of AI.

Specific activities include, but are not limited to:

The project involves working closely with the principal investigator, co-investigators, and other research team members. The primary job duties of the graduate research assistant (GRA) may include literature reviews, appraisal of qualitative and quantitative research, data collection and analysis, and manuscript and presentation development.

The successful candidate will work with and directly report to Dr. Margaret Edwards at Athabasca University. The candidate will be provided with adequate training for all activities, such as literature review approaches, appraisal of qualitative and quantitative research, data collection and analysis, and manuscript and presentation development. If required, the GRA will be provided training to work with various tools and software such as NVivo, Covidence, Microsoft Teams, and Microsoft PowerPoint. The successful candidate will gain valuable experience in conducting primary research and literature reviews, disseminating results, and co-authorship as applicable.

This is a casual position with flexibility in hours. Over the next two years, it is anticipated to be between 2 and 3 hours per week. The rate of pay is commensurate with experience and collective agreement provisions. All duties can be completed remotely.

Qualifications:

1. Undergraduate degree required
2. Experience as a nurse educator or completion of nursing education courses preferred but not required
3. Strong writing skills
4. Ability to work remotely

5. Theoretical or practical understanding of conducting primary research and literature review
6. Experience with manuscript preparation
7. Completion of TCPS 2.0 CORE module an asset
8. Demonstrates confidence and maturity in interpersonal relationships
9. Ability to be flexible, respond to changing priorities and meet deadlines
10. Demonstrate initiative and be self-motivated while knowing when to seek help
11. Excellent organizational, oral and written communication skills
12. Ability to maintain confidentiality of records and information
13. Ability to work both independently and as part of a team

How to apply:

Qualified individuals are encouraged to submit their application by email to Dr. Margaret Edwards at margaret.edwards@athabascau.ca. Applications should include (as a single PDF file) a brief cover letter that summarizes your skills, interests, and experience; a current resume or curriculum vitae; an unofficial copy of your transcript; and the contact information for 2 references.

Applications will be evaluated immediately and will continue until a suitable candidate is found. All applicants are thanked for their interest in this position; however, only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. We are committed to employment equity and encourage applications from women, Indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, and members of visible minorities.

For more information on this Graduate Research Assistant Opportunity, please contact Dr. Edwards at the coordinates below:

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