

## Postdoctoral Fellowship Opportunity

### Professional Regulation in the Digital Era: Modernizing Regulatory Practices in the Public Interest

#### Position start date: Negotiable

**Overview:** This postdoctoral fellowship is an opportunity to work with our research team on a SSHRC-funded project focused on modernizing professional regulation of work. While virtual practice is not new for many regulated professions, the COVID-19 pandemic has rapidly accelerated the transition to virtual work environments, particularly for the health workforce. Regulators are under intense pressure to facilitate this transition safely and effectively. The successful candidate will gain valuable research skills and experience working with an interdisciplinary research team on a nationally funded research project. There may be opportunities to work on other projects as part of the principal investigator's research team.

This position will be a one-year research fellowship (up to \$50,000 CDN, depending on qualifications, rate to be confirmed at beginning of fellowship). All duties can be completed remotely. It is expected that the successful candidate applies for external funding if applicable.

#### Qualifications:

- completed a doctoral degree within the last five years or is expected to complete shortly in a relevant discipline (e.g., nursing, law, public health, public policy);
- strong understanding of professional regulation and qualitative research;
- ability to work independently and as part of a research team;
- experience analyzing legal and/or regulatory documents; and
- excellent research and writing skills.

**How to apply:** Qualified individuals are encouraged to submit their application by email to Dr. Kathleen (Kate) Leslie at [kleslie@athabascau.ca](mailto:kleslie@athabascau.ca). Applications should include (as a single file) a brief cover letter that summarizes your skills, interests, and experience; a current resume or CV; an unofficial copy of your transcript; and the contact information for 1-2 references.

Evaluation of applications will begin 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.

*AU shapes and enables mutually supportive communities, regardless of where those communities exist. AU's Strategic Plan IMAGINE: Transforming Lives. Transforming Communities (<http://imagine.athabascau.ca/>) has as one of its strategic themes "Moving Beyond Place." We are embracing this theme and will be transitioning to a near-virtual work environment by December 2021.*



*Educational credentials will be verified upon hire. All educational credentials must be recognized in Canada.*

*All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian Citizens, Permanent Residents, and Landed Immigrants will be given priority. If suitable Canadian citizens or permanent residents cannot be found, other individuals may be considered.*

*Athabasca University is committed to employment equity and encourages applications from women, Indigenous Peoples, persons with disabilities, persons of any sexual orientation, persons of any gender identity and expression, and members of visible minorities.*

For more information on this postdoctoral opportunity, please contact Dr. Leslie before February 28, 2022.