The Office of Sustainability invites applications from Indigenous (e.g., First Nations, Métis, and Inuit) persons for a term position as an Indigenous Land-Based Researcher. This is an ideal position for a post-secondary student with an interest in vegetation and traditional land use.

As identified in the University of Manitoba’s Sustainability Strategy 2016-2018, the Office of Sustainability will be embarking on a Campus Vegetation and Biodiversity Assessment in Spring 2017. The Office would like to engage with Indigenous community members in order to include Indigenous knowledge and perspectives as part of this process.

Education/Experience:

- Students with an interest and academic background in Natural Science, Agriculture, Planning, Environmental Studies, or Native Studies will have an interest in this position.
- An understanding of Indigenous land-based knowledge and food systems.
- Experience working within a research or office environment.

Skills and Abilities:

- Experience using the Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook).
- Possess interpersonal, verbal and written communication skills.
- Work as a member of a multidisciplinary and multi-cultural team.
- Preference will be given to Indigenous (First Nations, Metis or Inuit) candidates. Please self-declare in cover letter.

Key Responsibilities:

- Work in partnership on the OOS biodiversity study to connect western science and indigenous knowledge in an assessment of biodiversity on the U of M campuses.
- Assist with engaging faculties, the University Indigenous community, and other Indigenous land-based experts.
- Through literature searches, interviews and on-campus field research, report on Indigenous land-based aspects that historically existed and currently exist on campus and propose aspects that could now be incorporated on campus.
- Prepare briefings, reports and presentations and other communications on indigenous land-based research findings.
- Research Indigenous land-based knowledge initiatives to educate and inform the University community.
- Participate as part of the Office of Sustainability team to implement indigenous land-based initiatives.

Competition Closes: April 18, 2017

Please submit resumes to: sustainability@umanitoba.ca