

FULL TIME POSITION AVAILABLE

INDIGENOUS EDUCATOR, ADVISOR & COORDINATOR OF RECONCILIATION PROGRAMMING

SUMMARY

Pearson College UWC is seeking an Indigenous Educator, Advisor & Coordinator of Reconciliation Programming. This position is a faculty position which includes the teaching of two Theory of Knowledge classes.

RESPONSIBILITIES

TEACHING

Teaching two classes of Theory of Knowledge

Developing and teaching a new IB (International Baccalaureate) course on Indigenous Studies

Providing cultural competency, safety and humility training for faculty, staff, students and other residents

Assisting and supporting Indigenous students in the successful completion of their academic studies and other aspects of the Pearson curriculum (i.e. learning through experience and service)

Working with the College's Universities Counselor to advise Indigenous students regarding post-Pearson academic and other opportunities

Working with relevant faculty and staff to advise and assist students interested in opportunities to work with Indigenous communities (including Project Week, summer service, post-IB)

Increasing the understanding of Indigenous issues across the Pearson community

FACULTY LIAISON

Helping faculty to be more supportive and welcoming of Indigenous students

Offering Indigenous knowledge support to faculty, staff and residents

Providing curriculum support to faculty

RECRUITMENT

Organizing and supporting recruitment of Indigenous students in Canada

Coordinating and conducting field visits to schools and communities with significant Indigenous population

Engaging with alumni and selection committees

Providing prospective Indigenous students with information about the Pearson experience

INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY LIAISON

Creating and coordinating an Indigenous advisory team involving staff and residents on campus, as well as external experts

Building relationships with Indigenous communities locally, provincially and nationally

Providing Indigenous knowledge support

Supporting bilateral discussions with local First Nations regarding educational opportunities and local land use matters

PEARSON COLLEGE COMMUNITY WORK

Leading Indigenous activities for students

Collaborating with relevant faculty and staff to support Indigenous students

QUALIFICATIONS

A degree in any subject plus a postgraduate qualification

Experience working with Indigenous youth

Teaching experience at the upper high school and/or college levels

Experience teaching the IB curriculum is an asset

International experience or appropriate experience to prepare for working with a diverse population of students from up to 100 countries, some coming from difficult realities and challenging backgrounds

KEY QUALITIES

This is an extraordinary opportunity for an individual with excellent teaching, facilitation and interpersonal skills.

The successful candidate must be well-organized, goal-oriented and not afraid to “roll up his/her sleeves.”

The successful candidate must be committed to the core values of Pearson College, and passionate about the mission of the UWC movement. The College is an organization driven by the UWC mission and our values consequently experience working within a values-driven organization is highly prized.

The successful candidate will be subject to a Criminal Records Check (Vulnerable Sector).

APPLICATIONS

Pearson College welcomes qualified applications from individuals with diverse backgrounds. We strongly encourage Indigenous candidates to apply.

Candidates should send a cover letter and resume to hr@pearsoncollege.ca. References will be required for short listed candidates. The position will remain open until filled, with interviews expected to start by 15 May 2016. The expected start date for this position is mid-August 2016.

Candidates are asked to note in their cover letter how their background and experience would be a good match for Pearson College and this position. We thank all interested candidates but, due to the volume of applicants, only short listed candidates will be contacted.

ABOUT PEARSON COLLEGE UWC

In 1974, Pearson College was founded as Lester B. Pearson United World College of the Pacific, on a beautiful campus along the shores of the Pacific Ocean at Pedder Bay on the southernmost tip of Vancouver Island, British Columbia. Today, Pearson College is one of 15 UWC (United World Colleges) schools worldwide.

Like all UWCs, Pearson College believes that its mission – "to make education a force to unite people, nations and cultures for peace and a sustainable future" – is transformational. Pearson is a two-year pre-university school for up to 200 exceptional students selected to represent more than 100 countries who live, study, and grow together. Many of these students come from regions of conflict, and many from difficult and challenging economic backgrounds. More than 4,000 students have graduated from Pearson, and work in a variety of professions in every corner of the world.

Pearson College offers the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma, the most recognized and respected high-school diploma in the world. One of the first schools in North America with the IB Diploma Program, Pearson College continues to develop curriculum, such as the IB Marine Sciences course, which has been adopted by the International Baccalaureate Organization for use around the world.

At Pearson College, students are offered the opportunity to embrace a whole education – a powerful one that pays equal respect to academics, service, leadership, physical pursuits, creative expression, experiential learning and the lessons of learning and living together.

For more information, please visit www.pearsoncollege.ca.