

Indigenous Community Researcher

The position is hybrid and full-time for six months OR part-time but must be completed by June 2024
Salary: \$30,000

The Archives Society of Alberta (ASA) is a provincial professional association for archives and archivists with nearly 200 members. We support the development of archival professionals and organizations that meet the needs of their communities. We aim to achieve our mission by providing an advisory services program, online archival database, archival supplies loan program, online directory of archival institutions in Alberta, professional development opportunities, and organized advocacy efforts.

The ASA is working towards supporting the archives of Alberta's Indigenous communities by assisting them in the development of their archival programs. This project is an extension of ASA's current advising services. We are seeking applications for the position of Indigenous Community Researcher to conduct a Needs Assessment Survey of Indigenous communities and their recordkeeping and records access needs. The survey will help shape ASA's future programming to better serve the needs of Indigenous communities and organizations. The Indigenous Community Researcher will be responsible for:

- Maintaining current relationships with Indigenous communities in Alberta, and working to establish new relationships;
- Designing a survey and determining an appropriate survey methodology;
- Conducting focus groups and surveys of Indigenous organizations with archives throughout Alberta;
- Compiling a Needs Assessment Report on Indigenous Archives in Alberta.

Qualifications:

- Familiarity with Indigenous cultures and experience with Indigenous protocols;
- A university degree and training in research methodologies;
- Familiarity with TRC's Calls to Action, UNDRIP, and the Steering Committee on Canada's Archives' Reconciliation Framework;
- Experience conducting qualitative and/or quantitative research is an asset;
- Experience with archives, records management, or another information or heritage profession is an asset;
- Valid driver's license.

To apply: Send your cover letter and resume to Rene Georgopalis, <u>reneg@archivesalberta.org</u>. The deadline for applications is **September 5**, **2023**. ASA encourages First Nations, Métis and Inuit applicants to apply for this position.