**JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Graduate Student Researcher**

**Othering & Belonging Institute, UC Berkeley**

**Position Title:** Arts & Cultural Strategy Research Assistant

**Duration:** Spring 2022 semester, with possibility of extension

**Expected Hours:** 20% FTE, 8 hours per week (no fee remission)

**Compensation Range:** Dependent on Year

The **Othering & Belonging Institute** is a hub of researchers and community networks who are generating work centered on realizing a world where all people belong, where belonging entails being respected at a level that includes the right to both contribute and make demands upon society and political and cultural institutions.

The Institute’s **Arts & Cultural Strategy (ACS) team** seeks a Graduate Student Researcher (GSR) for Spring 2021 to support **research on historical and contemporary models for anchoring artists and cultural practitioners in place**. This project is focused on housing, funding models, economic conditions and other contextual issues that support the stability of artists and cultural practitioners in place.

**Brief Description of Role**

The GSR will work with the ACS coordinator to develop and provide research assistance around historical and contemporary models for anchoring artists and cultural practitioners in place. The GSR will assess impact of case studies, explore challenges and future application of the learnings and provide a written brief upon completion of the work.

The GSR will focus primarily on secondary research (literature review, case study analysis) with potential for limited stakeholder interviews (funders, government officials, artists, cultural practitioners).

**Responsibilities**

* Critical analysis, case study research, literature reviews
* Interviews with stakeholders
* Writing research briefs
* Participating in project meetings

**Qualifications**

Required skills:

* Familiarity with housing and economic development history
* Familiarity with Institute framework on Arts & Cultural Strategy (see: <https://belonging.berkeley.edu/notesonaculturalstrategy> )
* Strong writing skills, particularly writing for non-academic audiences
* Strong communication skills and collaborative approach to research
* Ability to meet deadlines
* Ability to give and take constructive feedback

Desired skills:

* Previous experience in arts and culture organizations
* Interest in critical analysis of arts and culture funding
* Interest in questions related to culture and place
* Familiarity with existing context and analysis of economic inequality within capitalism, across race, gender, and geography.
* Experience doing empirical and applied research.

**To Apply**

Please email your resume, statement of interest (no more than two pages), and a research sample (no more than five pages, can also be a slide deck or other multimedia form) to Evan Bissell at evanbissell@berkeley.edu. Please put in the subject line: PLACE - GSR Application.

**Accepting applications until filled.**