

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Graduate Student Researcher

Othering & Belonging Institute, UC Berkeley

Position Title:	Transportation Equity Student Researcher
Duration:	Spring 2024 semester, with possibility of extension
Expected Hours:	40% FTE, 16 hours per week
Compensation Range:	Dependent on years of education; this position is eligible for fee remission

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 **Community Power and Policy Partnerships** program seeks a Graduate Student Researcher (GSR) to support the Community-based Equitable Transportation Planning project, a new multi-year project supporting nonprofit and public leaders to involve marginalized communities in transportation planning to address transit inequities and the climate crisis.

Brief Description of Role

The GSR will be part of a team working to advance equitable, community based-transportation planning across California in partnership with the California Air Resources Board. The scope of the GSR's work will evolve based on project needs. An early focus of the work will be assessing how community transportation needs assessments are resourced and conducted and identifying process improvements to support equitable and actionable outcomes.

Responsibilities

- Collaboratively work with a team to identify issues and questions, provide relevant guidance documents and tools, and facilitate strategy development.
- Participate in project meetings, provide logistical and administrative support including scheduling, note taking, and email correspondence.
- Conduct research related to transportation planning, community engagement strategies and metrics, and structural and multidisciplinary analyses of transportation issues.
- Write reports, memos, and other materials as appropriate to communicate research and recommendations to priority audiences.

Qualifications

Required skills:

- Excellent writing skills and ability to develop communications for policy and popular audiences.
- Solid communication and interpersonal skills to communicate effectively with all levels of staff, both verbally and in writing.
- Understanding of the application of social equity, environmental justice, and just transition frameworks to transportation policy.
- Understanding of community engagement in planning and policy
- Familiarity with datasets and metrics commonly used to analyze transportation and climate change issues.
- Familiarity with the Othering & Belonging Institute's conceptual frameworks central to the work of Othering and Belonging Institute, including targeted universalism, structural marginalization, and othering and belonging.

Desired skills:

- Facilitation skills and the ability to design and facilitate interactive workshops and planning sessions
- Strong cultural competence with communities affected by transportation inequities.

To Apply

Please email your resume, cover letter with statement of interest (no more than two pages), and a writing sample (no more than ten pages) that demonstrates your experience with one or more of the required skills to cp3jobs@berkeley.edu with **the following subject line:** Transportation Equity GSR Application.

Accepting applications until filled.