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## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

### **Participatory Action Research Graduate Student Researcher**

#### **Othering and Belonging Institute, UC Berkeley**

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<b>Position Title:</b>	Participatory Action Research GSR
<b>Duration:</b>	Fall 2020 (with likely continuation through Spring 2021)
<b>Expected Hours:</b>	15-20 hours/week
<b>Compensation:</b>	Dependent on year; includes tuition remission.

The Othering and Belonging Institute brings together researchers, stakeholders, policymakers, and communicators to identify and challenge the barriers to an inclusive, just, and sustainable society and to create transformative change.

The Institute's California Community Partnerships program partners with community-based organizations to pursue a vision of belonging in which all members of marginalized communities have the resources, tools, and power to be meaningfully involved in transforming the structures that shape community opportunity and wellbeing. We develop rigorous research, trainings, and communications tools that are integrated with our partners' grassroots organizing and leadership development strategies. This produces analysis, policy, and strategies that reflect the direct experience and vision of affected community members and the insights of scientific and technical analysis. We choose partnerships based on shared values and interests, and the potentially transformative nature of the partnership's impact.

### **Brief Description of Role**

The Participatory Action Research GSR will work with the other members of the California Community Partnerships program team, as well as other staff at the institute to support multiple participatory action research projects. The focus of the GSR during Fall 2020 will be to carry out research, curriculum development and writing to support the creation of tools and resources that strengthen several participatory action research projects. With this project, the GSR will play an active role in coordinating partnerships, advising curriculum development, process design, facilitation, documenting practices, and working to adapt tools used in the project to be distributed more broadly.

### **Responsibilities**

- Coordinate partnership with community groups, maintain regular communication, facilitating project meetings/calls and distributing notes and plans;



- Carry out research and writing on PAR processes, principles, and methodologies;
- Advise and play support roles in designing curriculum and co-facilitating select training and planning sessions with PAR partners;
- Carry out research and analysis on questions developed with community partners
- Write communications materials to share project updates, research methods, and other content with partners and public audiences

### **Qualifications**

- Experience with participatory research, community organizing and/or advocacy strategies led by impacted community members
- Experience designing and facilitating interactive workshops and planning processes
- Technical expertise in one or more research methodology, such as surveys, corporate research, oral histories, or mixed methods

### **To Apply**

Send cover letter, resume, and example of related work to Eli Moore at [elimoore@berkeley.edu](mailto:elimoore@berkeley.edu) with the subject “PAR GSR application”. We aim to have the positions filled by the start of the Fall 2020 semester. Please submit your application early.