JOB DESCRIPTION

COVID-19 Graduate Student Researcher

Othering and Belonging Institute, UC Berkeley

Position Title: Covid-19 Network GSR
Duration: Summer 2020 (with potential to continue into Fall 2020)
Expected Hours: 25 hours/week
Compensation: Dependent on year

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.

Brief Description of Role

The Covid-19 Network GSR will work with members of the Institute’s Covid-19 Network team in support of this emerging project described here.

What’s Next? A Network for Building a Shared Future Where Everyone Belongs

Social justice organizations are necessarily pivoting their focus to respond to and align strategies with the rapidly changing context. Each of us is rapidly assessing what is needed, what is being done in the broader ecosystem, and what our organization should be doing. We risk duplication, blind spots, and missed opportunities for collaboration that can enhance our work exponentially. The What’s Next network is an open hub for identifying needs, tracking relevant work across the broader ‘field’, and connecting with potential partners with synergistic interests, needs, and capacity.

A primary function will be to serve as a clearinghouse, where work gets spun out and pursued for implementation through existing or new networks, partnerships, etc. The focus is on articulating scopes of work and potential partners who could take them on. We are not only considering the direct effects of Covid, but the repercussions in economic, political, ecological, and other spheres - and imperatives to advance the types of transformation that were necessary before Covid hit. The goal is to network and leverage the work so we can do more at both an immediate and larger scale.
Responsibilities:

- Maintaining database of ongoing research and policy analysis related to Covid-19, documenting existing work across various organizations and networks, and requests/needs for additional work
- Schedule meetings, take notes during meetings, carry out communication for coordination with various partners
- Review and analyze information from various sources, including meeting notes, online sources, media publications, etc to gather essential info for the Clearinghouse.
- Provide logistical support to Clearinghouse committee
- Carry out discrete research prioritized by the Clearinghouse committee, and write for internal and external audiences

To Apply

Send cover letter, resume, and example of related work to Eli Moore at elimooore@berkeley.edu with the subject “COVID-19 GSR application”. We aim to have the positions filled ASAP. Please submit your application immediately.