

GenUrb's Research Associate (Feminist Comparative Urban Research Associate)

Purpose: The Research Associate position is funded through the SSHRC Partnership Project *Urbanization, Gender, and the Global South: A Transformative Knowledge Network* (GenUrb) based at the City Institute at York University, Toronto. Situated in the dynamic 21st century context of urbanization, this project aims to (i) advance theorization of urbanization through comparative research, using a five-year ethnographic investigation across cities of women's everyday place-making strategies through waged work (in production) and their activities in their households, communities and cities (in social reproduction); and to (ii) advance analyses of the extent to which policy initiatives impact upon women's lives, particularly Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 5, on 'gender equality', and 11 on 'sustainable cities.' To do so the partnership has been conducting research and public education in eight cities in lower-middle income countries in the global South: Cairo, Egypt; Cochabamba, Bolivia; Georgetown, Guyana; Ibadan, Nigeria; Delhi & Mumbai, India; Ramallah, Palestine; and Shanghai, China.

The Research Associate will be expected to:

- Analyse GenUrb data aiding comparative qualitative analyses of urban place ecologies across a number of cities in the global South;
- Work cooperatively with the PI, Grant Manager, the GenUrb City Research Teams, the GenUrb post-doctoral fellows, and any other GenUrb members;
- Be able to work independently with limited supervision;
- Participate in jointly authored publications;
- Possibly organise a conference session, including presenting their own work;
- Engage in all of GenUrb's public activities;
- Engage in other GenUrb work as and when directed by GenUrb's PI;

The successful candidate will have the following qualifications/skills:

- Ph.D. in Urban Studies or a cognate discipline;
- Good understanding of the issues GenUrb works on (e.g. cities in the global South, comparative urban research, feminist urban theory, etc.);
- Awareness of and engagement with critical and feminist urban studies;
- First rate writing skills i.e., a creative thinker who shows attention to detail;
- Good organizational and time-management skills; able to adapt to changing requirements, scope, and schedule;
- Manage multiple activities simultaneously, efficiently and on-time, and be able to meet deadlines and work under pressure;
- Proficiency with Microsoft Office;
- Experience with NVivo software a plus.

Job Details -

Job type – 1 year full-time contract position

Start date – July 1st 2022 – August 31, 2023 (negotiable)

Salary – \$50k CAD FTE

Location – Toronto, ON, Canada (negotiable)

Application process – please submit a cover letter (including the names of two potential referees) and CV (as a single pdf attachment), as well as a writing sample to Leeann Bennett, GenUrb’s Grant Manager, via email at leeann3@yorku.ca

Application deadline – April 30, 2022