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Research Assistant - Graphic Icon Designer

The UVic Ethnographic Mapping Lab (http://ethnographicmapping.uvic.ca) in the Department of Anthropology is leading innovative projects that use digital mapping technologies like Google Earth, Google Maps and other web-based geo-tools, to support indigenous communities' land rights, governance, and education initiatives.

A talented designer is required to build a set of custom icons for use in Google Earth, Google Maps and other web-based geo-tools to represent culturally and ecologically significant locations. The icons will be used in the ongoing *Innovations in Ethnographic Mapping and Indigenous Cartographies* project undertaken by the Ethnographic Mapping Lab, and will be made freely and publically available on the web through a Creative Commons licence.

There are specific technical requirements for creating these map icons. Icons must be 24-bit PNG images which support alpha-transparency (partial transparency; translucent appearance), 16 million colors, 64 x 64 pixels. Icons design must be clean and simple, with no text. Numerous different icons are needed to signify different kinds of site uses and types (hunting, fishing, trapping, plant gathering, village site, cultural site, etc), while following a common design theme.

Computers with the Adobe Creative Cloud software suite, CorelDraw X7, and a graphics drawing tablet are available in the Ethnographic Mapping Lab, or the successful candidate may use their own computer for the project. Other graphic design and illustration tasks may also be assigned, if time allows.

80 hours are allotted for this project at \$14.68 / hour (plus 4% in lieu of vacation pay).

The successful applicant will have demonstrated experience in computer-aided graphics, and a creativity and design sense.

Applications are due by 4:30 on September 25th 2015.

Please email Dr. Brian Thom (bthom@uvic.ca) with a brief cover letter describing your interest in contributing your skills to this project.

The University of Victoria is an employment equity employer and encourages applications from women, persons with disabilities, visible minorities, Aboriginal Peoples, people of all sexual orientations and genders, and others who may contribute to diversification of the University. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply: however, in accordance with Canadian Immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.