



Research Assistant Position (part-time)

Seniors – Adding Life to Years (SALTY) Project

a major national research initiative examining end of life in long term care

Seniors – Adding Life to Years (SALTY) is a four year, nationally funded research project aiming to add quality to late life for people living in residential long term care, and for their caregivers, including family, friends, staff and volunteers who support their care. To accomplish this the project is organized in four interrelated research streams: Monitoring Care Practices (Stream 1); Mapping Care Relationships (Stream 2); Evaluating Innovative Practice (Stream 3); and Examining Policy Context (Stream 4).

The project, launched in April 2016, is being conducted at sites in British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario and Nova Scotia by a team of 50 established and emerging researchers, decision makers, clinicians and resident and caregiver representatives. Dr. Janice Keefe, PhD, Chair/Professor of Family Studies and Gerontology, is leading this multi-disciplinary, multi-sectoral team here at Mount Saint Vincent University. For more information on the project visit www.SALTYtc.ca.

The Seniors – Adding Life to Years (SALTY) project is seeking a research assistant to support stream level activities related to data collection and dissemination as needed. The position will be located at the Nova Scotia Centre on Aging, under the supervision of the Scientific Lead, Dr. Janice Keefe or her designate.

Responsibilities:

The research assistant will conduct literature searches, assist with document, file and ethics management, prepare research reports and presentations, and complete other administrative stream level tasks as needed.

Qualifications:

- Enrolled in a graduate-level program in gerontology, health or social sciences
- Attention to detail and strong organization skills
- Good communication skills; strong writing skills
- Research experience (e.g. literature searches, data collection and analysis)
- Familiar with MS Office products (e.g Word, Excel and PowerPoint)

Assets:

- Experience preparing research reports
- Experience preparing academic presentations and posters
- Research interests that align with the project

Employment Term: Mid-September, 2018 – March 31, 2019, 10 hours/week

Compensation: \$18/hour

Interested applicants should submit an application consisting of a cover letter, curriculum vitae/resume and contact information for two academic or related employment references to the SALTY Project Manager, Nova Scotia Centre on Aging, Mount Saint Vincent University, Halifax, NS, B3M 2J6 (SALTY@msvu.ca) (phone 902-457- 6235). **Deadline for applications is 4:00 pm Friday, August 24, 2018 or until position is filled.**