

fonds sidlee architecture

Call 2021-2022

SID LEE ARCHITECTURE INDIGENOUS ACTION-RESEARCH or RESEARCH-CREATION VISITING FELLOWSHIP at the UNESCO Chair in Urban Landscape

One (1) 10,000 \$ CAD grant for a graduate student from a Canadian indigenous community

Background information

The UNESCO Chair in Urban Landscape of the University of Montreal focuses on the development of research and higher education projects pertaining to the fields of urban landscapes and urban design, on both a local and a global scale. Within the framework of the research-creation visiting research fellowship, the Chair would like to establish a dialogue regarding the knowledge and expertise of members of Canadian indigenous communities in these specific areas. During his/her stay, the fellow will conduct their own research projects with the support of members of the Chair, with interactions taking place in either French or English.

The selected candidate will also benefit from personalized support provided by the Salon Uatik in addition to services offered by Student Services. This includes housing search services, financial aid as well as the diverse resources directed towards indigenous students.

Structure of the fellowship

This fellowship welcomes students who are members of a Canadian indigenous community and who are currently completing a master's degree or a PhD to conduct an action-research or research creation project at the UNESCO Chair in Urban Landscape at the University of Montreal for the duration of four to six months.

The project should focus on topics relating to urban landscapes and tie with the mission of the UNESCO Chair in Urban Landscape and associated programs at UNESCO. The visit should take place between September 1st, 2021 and April 30th, 2022.

For the academic year 2021-2022, the UNESCO Chair in Urban Landscape defines three *areas of interest*:

- Digital tools and artificial intelligence
- Ecological, economic and social transition
- World's largest rivers

Admissibility criteria

- Being enrolled in a full-time study program at the master's or the PhD levels in an established university
- Registered Indian Status

Evaluation criteria

- Academic leadership
- Quality of the proposed action-research or research creation project
- Compatibility of the proposed project with the Chair's *areas of interest*

Application documents

- Cover letter and CV with mentions of previous grants and awards
- Most recent university transcripts (non-official)
- Project proposal detailing the objectives, background, method, envisioned outputs and calendar regarding the fellowship at the UNESCO Chair in Urban Landscape (max. 5 pages, French or English)
- Two support letters
- Proof of Registered Indian Status

Selection committee

The selection of the fellow will be decided by a committee composed of the following people:

- Dean of the School of Environmental Design of the University of Montreal
- UNESCO Chair Professor in Urban Landscape
- One professor from the School of Environmental Design

The selection committee will pay particular attention to the relevancy of the actionresearch or the research/creation project to the UNESCO Chair in Urban Landscape of the University of Montreal's mission as well the expected research results. At the end of their stay, the fellow is expected to present their project at the University of Montreal and at their home university.

Financial contribution

The selected person shall receive a financial aid in the form of a grant in two deposits: 2 500 \$ CAD will be transferred to their personal bank account upon registration and 7 500 \$ CAD will be transferred to them at the beginning of their visit at the UNESCO Chair in Urban Landscape at the University of Montreal.

Submission of candidacy

Submission deadline: June 15th 2021 Documents should be sent as PDF (via WeTransfer) to: UNESCO Chair Professor Shin Koseki (<u>shin.koseki@umontreal.ca</u>)

Important notice

The selected candidate is responsible for arranging their visit to the University of Montreal according to the university's rules and conditions regarding visiting research students: <u>https://admission.umontreal.ca/etudes-aux-cycles-superieurs/programmes-detudes/etudiant-visiteur-de-recherche/</u>

More information

UNESCO Chair: www.unesco-paysage.umontreal.ca/en

Université de Montréal has launched the action plan: Welcoming Indigenous Peoples, outlining more than 100 measures involving all of the University's core missions. Echoing the calls to action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, UdeM recognizes the importance of increasing the representation of Indigenous Peoples on campus, welcoming their knowledge and cultures and ensuring that Indigenous Peoples feel at home and feel that their university is a culturally safe place which fosters their full potential.

For more information, please visit: www.umontreal.ca/en/indigenouspeoples/