

Job Opening: Post-Doctoral Fellowship in City Planning

A post-doctoral fellowship is available in the Department of City Planning, University of Manitoba beginning May 2016 (1-year term) to study the relationship between transit development and equity. The successful applicant will be an integral part of a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)-funded research team, lead by Dr. Orly Linovski (University of Manitoba) and Dr. Kevin Manaugh (McGill University).

Project Description

With significant recent investment in bus rapid transit systems, there is the opportunity to improve transportation equity outcomes, including enhanced access to employment, services and housing. There is also the desire to encourage new development and growth around transit stations. This research examines how Canadian cities balance these goals in planning for bus rapid transit. The post will be based in Winnipeg, Manitoba with fieldwork in other Canadian cities.

The selected post-doctoral fellow will contribute substantially to the following areas:

- Involvement in qualitative research design and activities, including data collection and analysis;
- Training and supervision of graduate student researchers;
- Direction of synthesis activities, including production of peer-reviewed publications and conference papers.

Position Requirements

Minimum Qualifications:

- Doctoral degree in urban planning, geography, sociology or a related field, completed in the last 5 years;
- Academic study of, or experience in, land use and transportation planning, urban development, real estate, planning processes and/or transit equity;
- Strong qualitative research skills, including experience in conducting interviews, discourse analysis and coding;
- Strong communication skills, including writing peer-reviewed articles; and,
- Willingness to travel in Canada.

Additional Qualifications:

- Knowledge of ArcGIS and spatial analysis;
- Experience interviewing political and professional actors, and,
- Experience supervising graduate students.

Salary is commensurate with experience and includes a benefits package. Interested applicants should submit a single pdf file consisting of a letter of interest, CV and contact information for three references to: Orly Linovski, Department of City Planning, University of Manitoba at orly.linovski@umanitoba.ca by Dec 21, 2015. Selected applicants will be asked to submit a writing sample.

The University of Manitoba is committed to creating a diverse and inclusive workplace. Applications are encouraged from qualified applicants including members of visible minorities, Aboriginal peoples, people with disabilities, and people of all sexual orientations and genders. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.

Application materials, including letters of reference, will be handled in accordance with the protection of privacy provision of “The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy” (Manitoba). Please note that curriculum vitae may be provided to participating members of the search process.