



## OSHKI-PIMACHE-O-WIN: THE WENJACK EDUCATION INSTITUTE

### Employment Opportunity

## INDIGENOUS LANGUAGE SPECIALIST

**(Full time Contract until March 31, 2022)**

Established by Nishnawbe-Aski Nation, the Oshki-Pimache-O-Win: The Wenjack Education Institute provides culturally appropriate education and training programs through blended delivery methods using e-learning platforms, attending on-campus sessions in Thunder Bay, and by distance learning. We offer choice, accessibility, flexibility in learning opportunities for people seeking new beginnings to improve the quality of their lives through education and training. We are looking for a highly energetic and dynamic individual for the fulltime position of **Indigenous Language Specialist** candidate, you will have an opportunity to contribute to our exciting growth in increasing access to, and success in postsecondary education to learners living in remote and rural locations.

### QUALIFICATIONS:

#### PROPOSED

- The ideal candidate must be fluent in reading, writing and speaking at least 2 of Nishnawbe Aski Nations languages of Ojibway, Oji-Cree or Cree.
- The ideal candidate will be a member of one of the 49 Nishnawbe Aski Nation communities.
- The ideal candidate will have a minimum of five (5) years' experience in using accelerated learning methodologies that target Language Revitalization
- The ideal candidate will have a bachelor's degree, or equivalent experience, in an Indigenous language or a related discipline
- Strong candidates with relevant life, cultural or community experience will also be considered.
- The ideal candidate will have experience as an Adult educator, both in instruction and training, and will have experience in resource development, assessment and evaluation.
- Experience working with the Nishnawbe Aski Nation people and community groups is also required, along with direct experience and knowledge of Indigenous cultures, communities, customs, practices and communication styles. Indigenous ancestry or extensive experience working with Indigenous education preferred, and problem-solving capabilities.
- Experience in working as Coordinator in education field would be considered an asset

### POSITION SUMMARY:

Reporting to the Vice President, the Indigenous Language Specialist will support the development of Anishinabe, Oji-Cree and/or Mushkegowuk curriculum and delivery model for language revitalization, including applicable training, within the Nishnawbe Aski Nation communities. In addition, the Indigenous Language Specialist must liaise with various groups within the communities and travel to Nishnawbe Aski Nation communities to promote the development and ongoing success of the Indigenous Language Project. The incumbent will provide supports to instructors as well as create resource material to provide a roadmap to allow Oshki-Wenjack to meaningfully infuse Indigenous teaching and learning throughout their curriculum, including in the curriculum of partner institutions. Resource material may include instructional design best-practices, assessments, and technology-enabled

learning. The incumbent will work with instructors, staff and community members to enhance cultural safety in the Oshki-Wenjack learning environments both through increased Indigenous content in curriculum and increased supports for Indigenous ways of knowing, being, seeing and doing.

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If you are interested in this exciting employment opportunity please submit your letter of interest, a resume, with three references. Two references must be from two most recent employers to:

**President**

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**Closing Date: Closing Date: April 12, 2021 at 4 pm.**

**Note:** *Oshki-Pimache-O-Win: The Wenjack Education Institute encourages applications from all qualified candidates including women, men, Aboriginal peoples, persons with disabilities and visible minorities. While we appreciate all applications for this position, only those who are selected for an interview will be contacted.*