

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR AN ASPIRANT 2023 POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Starting date: 1 January 2024

Duration: 2 years

Project: Knowledge for Change Global Consortium

The project: Knowledge for Change (K4C) Global Consortium on Community Based Research

The postdoctoral appointment is linked to the [UNESCO Chair in Community Based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education](#). The UNESCO Chair is directed by Dr. Budd Hall, Centre for Global Studies, University of Victoria and Dr. Rajesh Tandon, PRIA, New Delhi, India. The postdoctoral fellowship will be based at the Centre for Global Studies and a Faculty which reflects the post-disciplinary background. The postdoc will be a key partner working with Dr. Hall on advancing their work in knowledge democracy. The focus of the postdoctoral fellowship is on expanding the scope of the K4C Consortium to additional locations in the Global South.

The K4C Global Consortium

Based on five years of state-of-the-art research on international developments in community based participatory research funded by the International Development Research Centre, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Canada and others, Drs. Tandon and Hall responded to the question of how to create economical and sustainable structures in the global South and the 'excluded' North for building research capacity in community based participatory research. The K4C strategy that has emerged supports the creation of K4C hubs as formal partnerships between universities and community or practitioner organizations which emphasize training by doing CBR linked to the UN Sustainable Development Goals with an emphasis on climate justice. The K4C model builds capacities through a carefully crafted 21

The research interests of the postdoctoral fellow are expected to fit into this broader context. The fellow will be required to have experience in community-based research in the Global South, to be familiar with global theories of justice in order to fit into the larger normative orientation of the project. Given the interdisciplinary character of the project, competences in higher education, knowledge equity, public policy, proposal writing and communications will be considered an asset. Ability to work in languages other than English also an asset.

#### The institutional context:

The postdoctoral fellow will have a double affiliation with the [Centre for Global Studies](#) and the academic unit where the fellow's disciplinary background best fits. The Centre has a mandate to promote collaborative, multidisciplinary, and cross-regional research and engage in connecting research in the field of global studies to local, national, and international communities. The fellowship falls under one of the five impact areas, namely social justice and equity, targeted by [Aspiration 2030 Research Agenda](#) of the University of Victoria. The postdoctoral fellow will be supervised by Budd Hall in the context of the UNESCO Chair in Community-Based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education.

#### Selection procedure:

The selection procedure will take place in two stages:

For STAGE 1, **deadline May 22, 2023**

Please send the following documents to [dfgs@uvic.ca](mailto:dfgs@uvic.ca) with ASPIRATION 2030 in the subject, address to Budd Hall

- Your CV
- An article published or written in the last three years
- A summary of a

The fellow will have the opportunity to:

- Work closely with Dr. Hall on UNESCO Chair research and development
- Pursue the research project they submitted.
- Participate in the academic activities of the Centre for Global Studies and the Advisory Department (conferences, seminars, etc.).
- Be present at the Centre for Global Studies on a regular basis
- To apply to each one course during the second year of the fellowship (paid at sessional rate in addition to salary)

The fellow will be expected to

- Apply for one source of funding external funding a year (unless successful in the first year).

Selection criteria:

- The quality of the research proposal and the candidate's past record.
- The fit with the UNESCO Chair institutional context.
- Preference will be given to postdoctoral candidates who have a commitment to Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) in their respective discipline(s).