

Journalism Trainer – Combatting Misinformation, part time Journalists for Human Rights Job Posting

Positions: Ten (10)

Location: Across Canada.

Application Deadline: November 3, 2019.

Interviews: Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed on Thursday, November 7 & Friday, November 8, 2019.

Duration: 6-month contract, part time.

Note: While the contract will be for a six-month period, only periodical work is expected and this is not a full time position.

Description: As part of JHR's new project, "Fighting Disinformation through Strengthened Media Preparedness" JHR is contracting ten journalism trainers from across Canada to train other journalists on combatting misinformation in their news coverage. Contracted trainers will first be trained on combatting information in a three-day symposium in Toronto (with the option to conference in) before returning to their home newsrooms/communities to train others. Training topics will include but not be limited to: misinformation and disinformation in news-gathering and news production, how algorithms work and can affect information displayed to audiences, how to recognize, track and expose social media misinformation attacks, and how to combat misinformation and disinformation online. Curriculum and training materials will be provided to the trainer.

Each journalism trainer will hold at least three workshops, one in their home newsroom (if relevant), engaging a total of 30 people (10 per workshop). Journalism trainers will focus this training on their immediate networks/newsrooms, but will also be expected to facilitate training for other newsrooms or interested groups of media practitioners on the topics they learned to expand the reach of the training.

Qualifications:

- A degree or diploma in journalism or media production, communications or related experience.
- A minimum of three years' experience working as a journalist in Canada, either as a freelancer or in a newsroom.
- Some knowledge or understanding in combatting misinformation.
- Be well integrated into their local media community and ecosystem and have networks in the local media environment.
- Be a leader in the media community, locally and have demonstrated leadership capacity.
- Teaching/training experience is considered an asset.
- A self-directed team player who has the ability to work remotely while reporting back to a larger team.

- Candidates from diverse backgrounds and who speak diverse languages are strongly encouraged to apply.
- Availability participate in training symposium the week of December 2, 2019.
- To be considered for this position, you must be eligible to work in Canada.

How to Apply:

To apply, submit your resume and cover letter to participate@jhr.ca by **November 3, 2019** with **“Journalism Trainer – Combatting Misinformation”** in the subject line. Your cover letter should clearly indicate your interest in the position and your journalism/media networks.

Please note, interviews will be held on November 7 and 8, 2019.

We thank all applicants for applying but only those shortlisted for an interview will be contacted. No phone calls please.