

Just Waters Research Assistant

Temporary Part-Time Position (December 7 2026 – March 31 2027)

Hours: 5-10 hours per week | Location: Fort Garry Campus/Remote/Plug In ICA

Just Waters, a project of the Centre for Human Rights Research (CHRR) at the University of Manitoba, is hiring two Student Research Assistants to support the *Held by Water* art exhibition curated by Jaimie Isaac. Jaimie Isaac (she/her/hers), Just Waters Curatorial Research Associate, is a curator and interdisciplinary artist. As part of her work with Just Waters, Isaac is curating *Held by Water*, an art exhibition hosted by Plug In ICA from January to March 2027. Featuring several artists and a suite of public programming and knowledge mobilization, *Held by Water* will be a powerful intervention into how we understand water in and around Winnipeg, Manitoba.

The Student Research Assistants will support the exhibition through event coordination, giving guided tours of the exhibition and creating knowledge mobilization materials.

We are looking for 3rd or 4th year undergraduate students and graduate students with an interest in art, water justice, and Indigenous sovereignty. Salary range is $20-$24.50/hour depending on qualifications.

Education:

- Students nearing completion of their undergraduate degree or working towards a graduate degree preferred.
- Students should have knowledge and interest in water rights, climate justice, Indigenous Studies, art, and/or Human Rights.

Experience:

- Experience/interest in organizing and hosting events.
- Experience managing and completing projects independently.
- Experience editing podcasts would be an asset.

- Experience editing digital content would be an asset.
- Experience public presenting would be an asset.

Skills and Abilities

- Demonstrated interpersonal skills and the ability to work collaboratively as part of a multidisciplinary team is essential.
- Enthusiasm and interest in human rights and water rights is essential.
- Ability to follow directions, work independently, manage and prioritize multiple tasks, and organize time is required.

How to apply:

Please submit a short cover letter and resume to sarah.deckert@umanitoba.ca by November 20, 2026.

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