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Centre for Child Development, Mental Health, and Policy

**Community Engagement Coordinator – Community-Based Training for
Black and Indigenous Children and Families**

Centre for Child Development, Mental Health, and Policy
University of Toronto Mississauga

Position Description: The [Centre for Child Development, Mental Health, and Policy \(CCDMP\)](#) at the University of Toronto Mississauga invites applications for a community engagement coordinator in a multidisciplinary research environment.

The community engagement coordinator will be responsible for coordinating and supporting the development and implementation of a community-based intervention that aims to promote educators' and service providers' capacities to nurture mental health and social-emotional development in Black and Indigenous children and families living in Canada. They will work closely with the CCDMP's research team, community partners, and members of the Black and Indigenous community in Peel Region, Ontario. They will help facilitate focus group interviews that are designed to inform understanding of existing strengths and needs among Black and Indigenous children and families in Ontario, Canada. The community engagement coordinator will work closely with members of the community (i.e., caregivers, community partners) to adapt a social-emotional training intervention. They will also co-lead the training for service providers and educators working with Black and Indigenous children and families. Additionally, the community engagement coordinator will contribute to knowledge translation activities through collaborations with policy and practice leaders across different social service sectors (e.g., EarlyON Child and Family Centres, child care services, child welfare, and child and youth mental health). The appointment, to start immediately, is for one year and is renewable based on project needs and performance.

Duties: Assisting in the preparation, adaptation, and delivery of training curricula; Interfacing directly with community members, researchers, and policy/practice leaders; Supervising student assistants and volunteers; Developing knowledge translation materials.

Qualifications: The community engagement coordinator should be an individual with lived experience as part of a Black or Indigenous community. The preferred candidate will hold a College, Bachelor's, or Master's degree or diploma in a social and behavioural or health sciences field including, but not limited to early childhood education, social work, community psychology, public health, clinical child psychology, or applied developmental psychology, or the equivalent in relevant work experience. The applicant will also demonstrate a strong interest in community-level projects and partnerships, and experience and interest in working with Black and/or Indigenous populations. Background in any of the following areas will be a particular asset: social-emotional development in Black and Indigenous children, child and family mental health in Black and Indigenous populations, community engagement and familiarity with social service delivery, development of professional training curricula, and adult education. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

The University strives to be an equitable and inclusive community, and proactively seeks to increase diversity among its community members. Our values regarding equity and diversity are linked with our unwavering commitment to excellence in the pursuit of our academic mission. The University is committed to the principles of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). As such, we strive to make our recruitment, assessment, and selection processes as accessible as possible and provide accommodations as required for applicants with disabilities. If you require any accommodations at any point during the application and hiring process, please contact ccdmp@utoronto.ca.



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To Apply: Please send the following application materials in a single .pdf (file name: FirstName LastName_CommunityCoordinator: *a cover letter that describes relevant training and career goals, resume, and the contact information for three references.*

Please email your application to Tina Malti (tina.malti@utoronto.ca) and cc Chanel Tsang (chanel.tsang@utoronto.ca) with “Community Engagement Coordinator” in the subject line. For more information about us, please visit our website at www.tinamalti.com or contact Dr. Malti (e-mail: tina.malti@utoronto.ca).

Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.