

Call for Applications for Research Assistants

The Centre for Studies in Gender and Sexuality (CSGS) at Ashoka University is looking to hire **two** Research Assistants for a duration of four months (1 September 2021 – 31 December 2021) for the project "Gender and Sexuality Studies in India: Mapping the State of the Field." The positions are funded by <u>Governing Intimacies</u>, a five-year multi-institutional and multi-locational research project that seeks to build new scholarship on gender and sexuality in South and East Africa and in India.

CSGS is hoping to hire Research Assistants who will work with the project lead in putting together a resource directory mapping the state of gender and sexuality studies in India as an ever-expanding field of academic and political engagement. This directory will cover the spaces, people, outlets, and organizations that have shaped the discourses on gender and sexuality in India over the last 50 years. In addition to this quantitative data, researchers will also need to gather material for the qualitative portion of the directory. This will require researchers to conduct interviews with people who have shaped the field, and review the literature and history of discipline formation in the country.

About CSGS

The Centre for Studies in Gender and Sexuality (<u>CSGS</u>) was set up in 2015 as one of the Centres of Excellence at Ashoka University. It studies the broader spectrum of questions relating to both gender and sexuality which include issues of inequality, fantasy, pleasure, identity, and politics that are key realities of our everyday lives. The Centre engages with students and the broader public through workshops, talks, performing arts, reading groups, research projects and internships.

Minimum Requirements

- 1. A Master's degree in the areas of gender and sexuality, women and development studies, sociology, anthropology, political science, English literature and other allied fields. Candidates with PhDs are welcome to apply.
- 2. A track record or trajectory of research experience in the field of gender and sexuality studies. The candidate must be able to demonstrate a wider understanding of the scope of what one may be able to refer to as 'gender and sexuality studies' / 'feminist and queer studies' in India.

Number of Positions: 2

Duration

4 months (1 September 2021 – 31 December 2021)



Remuneration

40,000 - 60,000 INR per month all-inclusive (subject to tax deduction), depending on the qualification and experience of the candidate. We might be able to supply extra funds for any required travel.

To apply:

Interested candidates can send their applications to <u>samreen.mushtaq@ashoka.edu.in</u> with the <u>following documents combined in a single pdf</u>:

- 1. Your latest CV
- 2. A Cover Letter that explains why you are applying to this position, how it is relevant for your interests and highlights your relevant expertise and/or background in gender and sexuality studies.
- 3. A one-page statement that describes how you would approach the project and conceptualise the directory outlined above in the project description. What should be the contents of such a directory? How will you put it together?

Deadline to apply: 24 July 2021

Shortlisted candidates will be called for the interview within 7-10 days from the date of closing of applications.

For queries, please reach out to samreen.mushtaq@ashoka.edu.in