



THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Faculty of Forestry & Environmental Stewardship

Department of Forest Resources Management

Research Associate – Full-time

The Department of Forest Resources Management, UBC-Vancouver campus seeks a full-time **Research Associate** to undertake research into the costs associated with wildfire across Canada. Responsibilities include:

- undertaking a literature review on what costs have been associated with wildfire, with a focus on Canada;
- identifying gaps, existing datasets and current researchers;
- developing a research plan to address those gaps, including identifying and coordinating research approaches, including opportunities for additional research funding;
- preparing the results of this research for a national report on the cost of wildfire, and any associated peer-reviewed articles as appropriate; and
- developing and supporting communication around the research and final report.

Qualifications required

Candidates must have a graduate degree and post-graduate research experience in the fields of wildfire, including risk mitigation, and fire suppression. Candidates should have demonstrated expertise in working on wildfire-related topics with different sectors and stakeholders, especially rural communities. Candidates should show the ability to publish and have good knowledge of social science methods and techniques. Other requirements for successful applicants include excellent oral communication skills, the ability to work in a dynamic research team, and the ability to work on a project with defined milestones and timelines.

Anticipated start date will be September 1, 2026 for two years with possibility of extension subject to grant funding availability. Applications should include a cover letter, a curriculum vitae, and the names, addresses and e-mail addresses of three people to provide professional references and submitted via

[Workday](#)

The expected salary range is \$85,000 - \$100,000/year based on 40 hours per week.

The University is committed to creating and maintaining an inclusive and equitable work environment for all members of its workforce. An inclusive work environment presumes an environment where differences are accepted, recognized, and integrated into current structures, planning, and decision-making modes. Within this hiring process, we will make efforts to create an inclusive and equitable

process for all candidates. Accessibility requests or other accommodations are available on request for all applicants. To confidentially request accommodations, please contact the Faculty of Forestry and Environmental Stewardship, Associate Dean Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, Dr. Janette Bulkan (janette.bulkan@ubc.ca).

Equity and diversity are essential to academic excellence. An open and diverse community fosters the inclusion of voices that have been underrepresented or discouraged. We encourage applications from members of groups that have been marginalized on any grounds enumerated under the B.C. Human Rights Code, including sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, racialization, disability, political belief, religion, marital or family status, age, and/or status as a First Nation, Metis, Inuit, or Indigenous person.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.