



**Job Title:** SONAMI Social Media Research Assistant

**Department:** Research and Innovation

**Start Date:** September – December 2025

**Rate:** \$18 per hour

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The role of Niagara College Research and Innovation is to provide real-world solutions for business, industry and the community through applied research and knowledge transfer activities. Niagara College Research and Innovation (R&I), in partnership with business or community partners, conducts applied research projects that model or simulate solutions, develop and test prototypes, adopt new technologies and knowledge, develop and evaluate new or improved products, processes, or solutions to community issues.

Hosted by NC's R&I Division, the Southern Ontario Network for Advanced Manufacturing Innovation (SONAMI) is a network of 9 colleges and 2 universities, who, through their respective Research and Innovation Centres, are collaborating with small- and medium-sized companies (SMEs) to turn innovations into commercialized products. SONAMI leverages faculty, students and state-of-the-market equipment, together with funding from provincial and federal funding agencies.

**Job Description:**

The successful candidate will support SONAMI with its business-to-business social media strategy. As the Social Media Research Assistant for SONAMI, the successful candidate will work on a number of projects to assess, plan and design social media activities for the Network in order to grow the reach and awareness of the Network.

The Social Media Research Assistant will have a comprehensive skill set to work with the SONAMI team on Social Media projects, including the technical skills and creative ability to craft social media content.

**Education:**

Current student enrolled in Niagara College's Business, Graphic Design, Public Relations, Social Media Management or related program.

**Duties and Responsibilities Include (but not limited to):**

- Work with SONAMI Office team to develop ongoing Social Media Campaigns. These campaigns will leverage existing SONAMI reports and highlight the benefits of engaging with SONAMI for SMEs.
- Develop creative and appealing graphic content to further engage SMEs.
- Conduct environmental scan to develop a strategic content calendar that leverages other Southern Ontario events and opportunities.
- Monitor Social Media streams and escalate inquiries and concerns as appropriate.
- Works on a number of web-based research projects.
- Attends planning or project specific meetings as required.

- Works independently and unsupervised
- Platforms include LinkedIn, Instagram, X, and Facebook

**Key Competencies:**

- Knowledge and experience using Canva and Hootsuite or Buffer
- Exceptional report writing skills
- High level of organization and time management skills
- Ability to co-ordinate multiple tasks
- Experience with Microsoft Office applications (Excel, PowerPoint, Word)
- Detail oriented with respect to quality and accuracy
- Strong communication skills, both oral and written
- Capable of working independently, while being a collaborative member of the team
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Takes initiative to complete tasks and asks questions when required
- Demonstrated creativity in developing new ideas
- Knowledge of making changes/updates on a website platform considered an asset

**Working Conditions:**

- Hours are 15 hours per week between 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
- On-campus work with remote work possible
- Indoors, sitting, and standing

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