



Researcher (part-time, contract)

About the Samara Centre for Democracy

The Samara Centre for Democracy is Canada's leading non-partisan organization focused on strengthening and protecting Canadian democracy. We work to support a resilient democracy with responsive institutions, shaped by an engaged public. Our research and programs make us a go-to resource for active citizens, public leaders and the media.

Role Summary

The Researcher works directly with the Senior Research Coordinator to initiate, develop and coordinate research and knowledge mobilization initiatives for the Samara Centre's [VERIFIED](#) project which interrogates the relationship between technology and Canadian democracy. Tasks include preparing literature reviews, jurisdictional scans, policy briefs and educational resources that are accessible to a general audience. The Researcher should have a methods background and be up to date on digital media literacy best practices and the social media regulation discourse in Canada.

- Reports to: Senior Research Coordinator
- Job type: Part-time with 10-15 hours of work per week from February to August 2026 with the possibility of extension.
- Salary: \$30/hour
- Location: virtual / hybrid

Qualifications

- Currently enrolled or graduated with a masters-level degree in a social science or humanities discipline (e.g. sociology, anthropology, public policy, history)
- Excellent oral and writing skills
- Ability to write for both a research audience and in plain, accessible language for a general audience
- Excellent attention to detail
- Interest in democratic participation, technology's effect on society, and civic engagement
- Data analysis and Excel skills (basic/intermediate) are an asset

How to Apply

Applications should be a single PDF that includes:

- A resume
- A recent writing sample under 1000 words

Please send your application to hello@samaracentre.ca with "Researcher" noted in the subject line. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until **January 28**.

The Samara Centre is committed to a diverse, equitable and inclusive workplace in which everyone is welcomed, valued, and supported. Please advise of any accommodation measures that would enable you to be interviewed in a fair and equitable manner. If you are a member of an equity deserving community we encourage you to self-identify in your application. Information received in relation to identity or accommodation will be kept confidential.