UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH
College of Social and Applied Human Sciences
Department of Sociology and Anthropology

Fellowship Offered

We offer one fellowship of up to $8,000 per year for two years to join a project on tourism, citizen science, digital nature, and snow leopard tracking in the Indian Himalayas. The project is led by Professor Karine Gagné. The successful applicant will conduct a research project that will investigate the motivations, values, and experiences related to snow leopard tracking and conservation through tourism and citizen science. The collection of data will take place through virtual ethnography and a winter field research trip in Hemis National Park in Ladakh.

The student will pursue a Master’s Degree in Public Issues Anthropology at the University of Guelph under the supervision of Prof. Gagné (University of Guelph). The case study from Ladakh developed by the successful applicant will contribute to the broader project “Domesticating Wildness: Snow Leopard Conservation in the Himalayan Anthropocene,” led by Prof. Gagné.

The fellowship is offered in addition to stipend funds offered by the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. It will consist partly in funds for fieldwork and partly in Research Assistantship. Additional funds may be available for relevant conference travel.

Expected start date is fall 2023. Interested students should review admission guidelines for the Master’s program in Public Issues Anthropology (https://socioanthro.uoguelph.ca/future-students/public-issues-anthropology-ma)

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