

Employment opportunity: Temporary Communications Officer



Are you a skilled communications generalist interested in working for a progressive health care union with a large and diverse membership, and a broad social justice mandate?

The Hospital Employees' Union is looking for an experienced individual to fill the position of **Communications Officer** at its provincial office in Burnaby, British Columbia, on a temporary basis, from August 17 to October 28, 2022.

HEU operates in a complex sector with many challenges. As an integral member of a mid-sized communications team, you will work in a collaborative environment, with responsibility for planning and implementing internal and external communications strategies.

In addition, you will be supporting local and provincial campaigns on a range of workplace and societal issues, including collective bargaining.

You will have a strong commitment to progressive social change and will be comfortable with campaign planning, media relations and coaching, and writing for print and on-line publication, social media and ad production.

Requirements

- Post-secondary education in journalism or communications and considerable experience in public relations **or** an equivalent combination of training and experience.
- Excellent written and oral communications skills, and a demonstrated ability to provide accurate work under tight deadlines. Basic photography skills are also an asset.
- Experience overseeing the production of print- and web-based publications, video and other communications content is a definite asset in this job, as is a proven record of working with designers and other creative professionals.
- An understanding of the labour movement and issues impacting the health care sector would be important assets for this position.

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HEU is an equal opportunity employer. We are committed to being a workplace that is free of discrimination, values diversity, and is representative of the communities we serve.

Salary and benefits for this position are set out in a collective agreement.

About HEU

We're the oldest and largest health care union in British Columbia, representing more than 50,000 members employed by public, non-profit and private sector employers.

Our members work in all areas of health care – acute care hospitals, residential care facilities, community group homes, outpatient clinics and medical labs, community social services, and First Nations health agencies – and provide both direct care and support services.

HEU has a long history of advocacy for universal public health care. We are a democratic union with a commitment to social justice.

Interested in working with us? Here's how to apply.

Please send your resume and covering letter **by 5 PM on Friday, August 5, 2022** to: **Jobapplication@heu.org** (subject line: **Communications Officer, Your Name**).

Please note that due to the volume of applications, we will only be responding to those who are selected for an interview.