

**DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY
POSTING FOR CUPE 4163 SPECIALIST INSTRUCTIONAL**

Course Number/Title/Description: GEOG 227: QUALITATIVE RESEARCH METHODS IN GEOGRAPHY - Introduces a range of qualitative research approaches and tools applied in Geography. The course describes and examines a range of guiding paradigms (ethnography, participatory action research, the scientific method, indigenous methodologies, Marxism and Feminism) and data collection tools (from survey and questionnaires, focus groups, interviews, or participant observation to arts-based methods including photo voice and participatory video). Hands-on learning includes designing a research project, collecting data, analyzing the results (coding, data interpretation, thematic and interpretive analysis) and presenting the findings.

Fall Session¹: September 9 to December 23, 2026

Number of Available Labs²: 2

Hourly Rate³: \$34.72

Number of Hours per Lab Appointment: 98

Weekly Hours per Appointment⁴: 7 hours per week (approximate)

Minimum Skills Required: Good communication skills and a solid understanding of qualitative statistical principles. Must have completed at least one undergraduate statistics course with a grade of 'A-' or higher. General computer competence is essential along with a willingness to learn new software packages. Good command of spoken and written English.

Duties and Responsibilities⁵:

- participating in weekly meetings or workshops
- preparing for weekly labs
- leading weekly labs, seminars, or tutorials
- providing in-lab instruction and/or assistance
- student consultation (office hours)
- grading of weekly lab assignments and/or term papers/reports
- supervising and grading of midterm(s) and final exam

Submit a completed application form by Friday, June 12th, 2026

Application forms are available through the departmental website at <https://www.uvic.ca/socialsciences/geography/coop/Current-Opportunities/SI/index.php>. Completed forms may be mailed to the department c/o John Fowler, Administrative Officer OR e-mailed to John at geogao@uvic.ca OR faxed to (250) 721-6216.

¹ You are expected to be available during this time period to fulfill all your duties and responsibilities.

² The number of positions available is subject to the terms of individual Graduate Student "Offers of Funding", available funding, and/or course cancellation.

³ Effective September 1, 2022 (see the latest CUPE 4163 Collective Agreement).

⁴ Weekly hours vary based upon the marking requirements of individual courses, especially mid-term and final exams, and term projects/reports.

⁵ The position duties and responsibilities may include, but are not limited to, those listed above.

The University of Victoria is an equity employer and encourages applications from women, persons with disabilities, visible minorities, aboriginal persons, people of all sexual orientations and genders, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of the university [Article 13.01(h) of the CUPE 4163 Collective Agreement]. In order to work for the Department, you must be either a Canadian citizen, or you must be in the country and attending the University of Victoria under a student visa.