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PROGRAMME FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSESSMENT (PISA) 2025 FIELD TEST

REQUEST FOR CODERS AND TEAM LEADERS

**In-person Coding Sessions, Moncton, New Brunswick
July 8–19, 2024**

EXTENSION

New application deadline: June 10, 2024

*****NEW:** Several vacancies remain for coders for the science and occupational coding domains. Very few vacancies are available in the reading domain, and no vacancies remain in the mathematics domain.

For those interested in the occupational coding domain, please note: the occupational coding session entails coding student questionnaire responses regarding students' parental/guardian occupations and their own desired future occupation. The coding consists of using the International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO) guide to apply one of over 400 codes to student responses. For this domain, we are seeking candidates who are experienced or educated in the broader fields of social sciences (e.g., sociology, economics, political science), business administration, or human resources management, or those who come from data and research backgrounds.

Only local coders from the Moncton region and vicinity will be considered. Applicants from outside the Moncton region who can travel and stay onsite at their own expense will also be considered.***

The Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) is an international assessment of the skills and knowledge of 15-year-olds. The study is directed by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and involves approximately 91 countries/economies. In Canada, about 4,000 students from 105 schools are taking part in the PISA 2025 Field Test. The assessment covers three domains: science, mathematics, and reading. In 2025, the major domain is science.

The assessment also includes a student questionnaire, which collects information about future desired student occupations and current parent/guardian occupations. This information is coded using the International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO) guide.

The PISA 2025 Field Test will be coded in person in Moncton, New Brunswick, from July 8 to 19, 2024. Science coding leaders and team leaders will meet remotely in advance of the coding session for training (see the dates in the table below). Team leaders will be responsible for training coders, and for assisting coders throughout the coding session. Team leaders will also work closely with coding leaders and other team leaders.

Approximately 50 coders and up to 6 team leaders (English, French, or bilingual) will be hired for the session, with some participants coming from ministries and departments of education from across the country. In addition, openings will be available for coders and team leaders from the **Moncton region**.

Prospective candidates are invited to outline their qualifications and experience using the electronic form available at <https://www.surveymonkey.ca/r/coding-2024>. All applications will be considered.

Applicants must:

- have a background in teaching language arts, mathematics, or science (as applicable);
- be a regular teacher, substitute teacher, retired teacher, or future teacher (applicable for science, mathematics, and reading domains only);
- have knowledge of the provincial programs of study for the target populations (PISA – 15-year-olds) in their respective subjects (as applicable);
- have experience coding past cycles of PISA, other international assessments, or provincial/territorial assessments (applicable for team leader positions only);
- be familiar with MS Excel and/or MS Access (applicable for PISA occupational coding only); and
- be available for the **entire duration** of the coding session in their respective subjects.

Bilingualism and previous experience with coding student responses are considered to be assets for all coders.

Coders and team leaders will receive training, and perform their duties, as shown in the schedule below. The allocation of coders and team leaders was determined by PISA coding requirements. The maximum number of anticipated working days is shown below. In addition to weekdays, some coding may be scheduled on a Saturday. The expected working hours are **from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

| | Science | Mathematics | Reading | Occupational Coding (ISCO) |
|---|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| PISA 2025 Field Test – Team leaders’ training | July 2–5 Contract up to 4 days (remote) | | | |
| PISA 2025 Field Test – Coding | July 8–19* Contract up to 11 days* | July 8–11 Contract up to 4 days | July 8–19 Contract up to 10 days | July 8–19* Contract up to 11 days |

*May include Saturday, July 13.

The fee for coders is \$250 per day (including 4% vacation pay), plus \$33 per workday for incidental expenses (no receipts required). The fee for team leaders is \$300 per day (including 4% vacation pay), plus \$33 per workday for incidental expenses (no receipts required). No other expenses (e.g., meals, transportation, parking, daycare) will be reimbursed.

The application deadline has been extended to June 10, 2024. CMEC thanks all candidates for their interest. Only successful candidates will be notified of the status of their application.