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## Request for Qualifications: Doyon Languages Online Content Creators

**Deadline:** Open until filled

**Position Type:** Contractual

**Requirements:**

- Online application (access the application at [doyonfoundation.com](http://doyonfoundation.com))
- Resume
- Cover letter

Please note that current contractors are not required to reapply.

### 1. Project Scope:

Doyon Foundation is pleased to announce a call for content creators responsible for designing and creating a 10-unit template for teaching Dinak'i (Upper Kuskokwim), Deg Xinag, Nee'aanèegn' (Upper Tanana), and Dihthaad Xt'een lin Aandëeg' (Tanacross) languages.

Content creators will be part of a language team responsible for producing an online introductory language course based on a previously developed template. Activities for content creators include:

1. Developing vocabulary lists in the language
2. Recording vocabulary lists with Elders and speakers
3. Recording and editing video for program outreach
4. Collaboratively creating videos and/or animation for cultural stories
5. Scripting line-by-line conversations in the language for beginning-level language learners
6. Reviewing and adding to the guiding curriculum underlying each language course
7. Attending training in Fairbanks on language course content development

### 2. Project Background:

Doyon Foundation was established by Doyon, Limited as a separate nonprofit charitable organization in 1989. Doyon Foundation's mission is to provide educational, career and

cultural opportunities to enhance the identity and quality of life for Doyon shareholders. Doyon Foundation carries out its mission by providing basic and competitive scholarships, working with organizations to place interns, and advancing traditional Native knowledge by partnering with various organizations.

In September 2017 Doyon Foundation was awarded a three-year, \$977,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education, Alaska Native Education Equity Program (ANEP) for the Doyon Languages Online project. The project is a partnership with 7000 Languages, a nonprofit that supports endangered language learning partially through software donated by Transparent Language Online. The Doyon Languages Online project aims to create a template that will then guide the creation of 224 introductory online lessons for four of the endangered Doyon languages: Dinak'i (Upper Kuskokwim), Deg Xinag, Nee'aanèegn' (Upper Tanana), and Dihthaad Xt'een lin Aandëeg' (Tanacross) languages.

### **3. Qualifications:**

Qualified candidates ideally speak and/or teach Alaska Athabascan language(s), possess the ability to read and write in an Athabascan language, and have a passion to learn and teach their language. Candidates should be able to follow strict timelines, collaborate well with fellow team members, solve problems creatively, and work with Alaska Native Elders and speakers. Candidates must have basic proficiency in Microsoft Office or similar desktop programs. In addition, applicants must be able to manage their time so as to meet the expectations and requirements of the contract without exceeding outlined budget. Budgets vary dependent on the services addendum, which will be included in the selected applicant's final contract agreement. Currently, the project is specifically in need of content creators with experience in video production utilizing the Adobe suite of products.

### **4. Selection:**

A review committee comprised of representatives from Doyon Foundation will review applications. Applications will be reviewed for relevant work experience, familiarity with Alaska Native language and culture, knowledge of curriculum development, and technical skills.

The selected consultant(s) will be asked for an in-person follow-up meeting to discuss contract details. Consultants may be asked to provide examples of previous work. The contract will span late June 2018 to September 30, 2018, with the opportunity for additional contracts once this phase of the project is successfully completed.

### **5. Application Process:**

Interested candidates should complete the application available at [doyonfoundation.com](http://doyonfoundation.com). Applicants are encouraged to submit a resume and cover letter in addition to completing the online application. A resume and cover letter can be uploaded through the application.

Please note that incomplete applications will not be considered. Preference given to Doyon, Limited shareholders.

### **For More Information**

For more information on Doyon Foundation and the Doyon Languages Online project, visit [doyonfoundation.com](http://doyonfoundation.com) or contact Allan Hayton at [haytona@doyon.com](mailto:haytona@doyon.com) or 907.459.2162.