

Social Relationships and Health in Old Age – Postdoctoral Fellow

Department of Psychology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver

Location: Vancouver, BC, Canada

Date Posted: July 15, 2022

Closing Date: Until filled

Start date: Sept 1, 2022

Description

The University of British Columbia, Vancouver campus, invites applications for a Post-Doctoral Fellow (PDF) with particular interests in the role of social relationships and motivational processes for health and wellbeing in old age. The successful candidate will work on interdisciplinary projects led by Dr. Christiane Hoppmann focusing on social resources for everyday health behaviours and emotion regulation in older dyads.

Project and Responsibilities

The main role of this PDF position is to contribute to a Canadian Institutes of Health Research grant-funded project on social-cognitive predictors of everyday health behaviors in older dyads. The successful candidate will focus on: 1) contributing to project implementation and data management; 2) orchestrating teamwork and communication between project members; 3) mentoring students; and 4) engaging in knowledge dissemination. The candidate will be supported to actively work on their publication record and present findings at conferences. They will also have opportunities to expand their learning and networking through the UBC Health Psychology Cluster, the UBC-Okanagan Aging in Place Excellence Cluster, and the UBC Center for Hip Health and Mobility.

Qualifications and Experience

A Ph.D. in Psychology or Human Development coupled with health psychological interests and a strong quantitative background. Ability to work collaboratively and independently with excellent problem solving and communication skills. Experience working with older adults is an asset. Strong writing skills, including experience publishing academic journal articles and conference proceedings.

The position is for one year, renewable for a second and third year. Preferred start dates are Sept-Oct, 2022. Salary is dependent upon educational level and experience; the starting salary is \$55,000 per year plus benefits.

UBC hires on the basis of merit and is committed to employment equity. We encourage all qualified applicants to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority.

To apply, please submit a cover letter and statement of research interest, curriculum vitae, contact details of two referees, and date of availability to Kath Imhiran (artsadmin.rc@ubc.ca). Review of applications begins August 15 and will continue until the position is filled.