

Job Opening - Postdoctoral Fellow in Positive Health

The Positive Psychology Center of the University of Pennsylvania, in collaboration with Harvard University and the University of Michigan, seeks an outstanding individual for a 2-year Postdoctoral Fellow position to begin immediately. The successful candidate will participate in a cross-university Robert Wood Johnson-funded project on Positive Health, a new approach to improving health that focuses on "health strengths."

Initial work, centered at Harvard University, will involve conducting secondary data analyses to explore relationships among key aspects of positive health in relation to development of coronary heart disease. The Fellow will collaborate with faculty mentors (Dr. Martin Seligman from the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Christopher Peterson from the University of Michigan, and Dr. Laura Kubzansky from the Harvard School of Public Health) to explore key research questions and generate multiple publications.

A second phase will involve designing and implementing interventions based on the research findings. Experience with managing and programming large-scale data sets using advanced statistics, as well as substantive understanding of the interface between mental and physical health is required.

Individuals with a Ph.D. in psychology, health and human development, social epidemiology or a related field are encouraged to apply. Fellows will be mentored to facilitate transition to independent research careers by emphasizing acquisition of analytic, writing, and other research skills.

Review of applications begins immediately.

Applications should include the following:

- 1) Curriculum vitae
- 2) Names and addresses of three references
- 3) Two reprints or preprints
- 4) A cover letter describing research interests and career plans

Send applications by email to:

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