Postdoctoral Research Fellowship: Applying Family-based interventions to Improve Children’s Health and Well-being

Project Summary: This position is attached to a Childhood Healthy Weights Early Intervention grant designed to evaluate the effectiveness of a community-based intervention aimed to improve children’s health and well-being.

Position Summary: This fellowship provides individuals who have earned a doctoral degree with an opportunity for mentored training with researchers who are engaged in developing and evaluating innovative behaviour programs targeting childhood obesity. Job responsibility will include: evaluating behavioural interventions, managing multi-centered research trial, analyzing qualitative and quantitative data, training and overseeing measurement team, mentoring students and writing manuscripts. The fellow will work closely with Dr. Patti-Jean (PJ) Naylor and Dr. Sam Liu.

Required Qualifications:

- PhD in behaviour science or related clinical discipline (Kinesiology, Psychology, Medicine, Public Health)
- Experience conducting community-based health intervention research and behaviour research
- Experience collecting anthropometric data. CSEP (or equivalent) certification will be an asset.
- Experience with digital health/e-health research will be an asset.
- Experience with statistical methods and ability to work with analytic software
- Effective oral and written communication skills
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Demonstrated research productivity (peer-reviewed publications and conference presentations)
- Ability to work autonomously and take a lead role on projects under supervision of principal investigators

Start date, Length, Stipend and Location:

- The position is full time for one year starting February 1, 2018 (start time is negotiable).
- Annual Taxable $55, 000 CAD per annum.
- The successful candidate will working at University of Victoria, School of Exercise Science, Physical and Health Education. The research will be conducted in pilot sites around the B.C province and some travel may be required. Access to a personal vehicle will be an asset.
- The candidate will be employed by the Chronic Disease Prevention Knowledge Exchange Research Lab (Dr. PJ Naylor) through external grant funding from the Childhood Obesity Foundation.

To apply, please forward the following:

- A complete curriculum vitae and a cover letter that highlights your research interest, accomplishments and future goals
- Full Transcript
- E-mail contact details for two referees
- 2-3 research publications that best demonstrate your fit for the position
How to Apply:

- The complete application package must be emailed to samliu@uvic.ca
- The closing date for receipt of applications is December 20, 2017.
- The University of Victoria is committed to providing an environment which protects and promotes the human rights and affirms the dignity of all persons, including those of diverse backgrounds and needs, and which provides equitable access to employment opportunities.