UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
FACULTY OF KINESIOLOGY & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

JOB POSTING – 2 POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW POSITIONS

Area of Research: Mental Health & Physical Activity

Posting Date: October 7, 2021

The Health Behaviour and Emotion Lab, situated within the Mental Health and Physical Activity Research Centre, is focused on examining the broad associations between mental health and physical activity. We have a number of on-going studies exploring longitudinal associations between psychosocial factors, measurement considerations for scale development and testing, and intervention work focused on the intersection of well-being, social support, and physical activity. We are looking for two post-doctoral fellows to work in a very productive, inclusive, and supportive lab environment. The positions will be focused on at least one of the following areas of interest:

1) Body image, physical self, and physical activity
2) Cancer, social support, and physical activity
3) Mental illness and exercise interventions

More information on the lab can be found here: https://kpe.utoronto.ca/academics-researchresearch-units-labs-centresmental-health-physical-activity-research-centre-1

Description of duties: Post-doctoral fellows will be mainly responsible for writing papers (including data analysis and interpretation, literature reviews, and critical thinking); knowledge translation activities, and will have the opportunity to conduct independent research. Mentoring of undergraduate and graduate students is expected.

Required qualifications: The successful candidates will have a Ph.D. in kinesiology, psychology, or a related field. Applicants who are "all-but-dissertation" will also be considered. The successful candidates will have a strong track record of scholarly achievements for stage of development, and an expertise in collecting and analyzing complex data sets. The candidates should have strong written and verbal communication skills, leadership and organizational skills, and be comfortable working in a team. Advanced expertise in quantitative data analysis and interpretation (e.g., multi-level modelling, structural equation modeling, trajectory analyses); strong writing skills; qualitative methods skills are also highly valuable. Experience with device-measured physical activity (e.g., accelerometers, fitbits, inclinometers) and interest in learning and/or expertise in eye-tracking and physiological response measures (e.g., galvanic skin response, emotion recognition, heart rate variability) is also valuable.

Salary: $50,000

All individuals interested in this position must submit a cover letter, curriculum vitae (CV), and contact information for three academic/professional references to **Catherine Sabiston (catherine.sabiston@utoronto.ca)** by the closing date.

Closing date: October 29, 2021 or until position is filled

Supervisor: Catherine Sabiston

Expected start date: November 1, 2021 or negotiable

Term: 1 year

FTE: Full time position - 40 hours/week

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