

Predoctoral Fellowship in Child & Family Well-being

POSITION: The <u>Institute for Child and Family Well-being</u> at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee invites applications for a predoctoral fellowship in Child and Family Well-being. The fellowship will provide a Ph.D. candidate with research mentorship and up to \$18,000 in financial support.

The Institute's mission is to improve the lives of children and families by implementing effective programs, conducting cutting-edge research, engaging communities, and promoting systems change. The predoctoral fellow will work with Institute faculty and other collaborators on research that aims to promote better and more equitable outcomes for children and families. The primary aims of the fellowship are to strengthen the fellow's conceptual, methodological, and writing skills while co-authoring scholarly presentations and publications.

The fellow's work may contribute to a dissertation, though this is not a requirement. The fellowship will provide an annual stipend of \$6,000 for up to three years. A progress review will be completed each year to determine if the fellow qualifies for continued funding based on their level of productivity in collaboration with Institute faculty.

Preference will be given to students whose research has implications for prevention and early intervention and who articulate a plan for using <u>datasets that are housed at the Institute</u>. Students whose interests include early childhood home visiting will have opportunities to make connections within the <u>Home Visiting Applied Research Collaborative</u> (HARC). HARC is a national research and development platform for innovation to broaden and strengthen home visiting's benefits for all families and communities. HARC fosters networking and collaboration with other early career scholars and experienced home visiting researchers through various activities such as webinars, Special Interest Groups, and an annual meeting.

Applications are being accepted now through June 15, 2024. Students from underrepresented groups and diverse disciplines such as social work, public health, human development and family studies, psychology, and sociology are encouraged to apply. Eligible applicants must be enrolled in a doctoral program in the United States, and they are expected to have completed their required Ph.D. coursework by the start date of the award. Relocation to Milwaukee, Wisconsin is <u>not</u> a requirement.

Please submit your materials using the following link: https://milwaukee.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bvFkEc4R7teJSLk

You will be asked to submit: (1) a cover letter describing your interests and qualifications, (2) a current CV, (3) a writing sample, and (4) contact information for two academic references. Applicants should demonstrate that they have strong writing skills, sound research training, and experience using statistical software (e.g., MPlus, R, SAS, SPSS, Stata). Institute faculty will promptly review applications and select candidates to interview, with the expectation of making a decision by September 1, 2024.

For questions about the predoctoral fellowship, please contact Dr. Joshua Mersky, Co-Director, Institute for Child and Family Well-being: <u>mersky@uwm.edu</u>.