

Job Title: Post Doc Fellow - Sociology

POST DOCTORAL FELLOW

Department of Sociology

UNIVERSITY of CINCINNATI

This is an Ohio Policy Evaluation Network (OPEN) Post Doctoral Fellow Opportunity.

We are pleased to announce a new postdoctoral fellow position with the Ohio Policy Evaluation Network (OPEN) at the University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio. OPEN conducts rigorous, impactful, and forward thinking social-science research on the reproductive health of Ohioans. Our program is comprised of multiple interdisciplinary research projects which assess reproductive health outcomes, equity, access, cost, and autonomy in the context of federal and state laws and policies. The research team includes faculty, staff, and students from Ohio State University, University of Cincinnati, Case Western Reserve University, and Cincinnati Children's Hospital.

Details

We seek an exceptional scholar with a strong background and interest in reproductive health research, including health policy, abortion, and contraception for a postdoctoral fellowship position at University of Cincinnati. The postdoctoral fellow will work closely with Michelle McGowan (Pediatrics and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies) and Danielle Bessett (Sociology) on a qualitative study focused on abortion clinic closures and legal vulnerabilities in Ohio and Kentucky. We expect data collection to be challenging and data analysis to be complex. The postdoctoral fellow will also be involved in analysis and interpretation of findings, and working with PIs and co-investigators to develop a dissemination plan for the findings of the Kentucky clinic case study that is most impactful.

This position will provide postdoctoral research training and support (per NIH postdoctoral fellow salary rates) for one year, renewable for a second year upon satisfactory performance. The position also includes funds for travel to conferences for research dissemination and professional development.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants are US citizens or permanent residents specializing substantively in reproductive health research, who have earned a PhD or equivalent degree in sociology, women's, gender & sexuality studies, anthropology, public health, bioethics, or a related field by January 2019. Experience with qualitative methods and data analytic techniques is required. Excellent written and verbal communication skills; an ability to multi-task and function independently; good decision making and leadership qualities; strong networking and outreach skills; effective community relation skills; and a strong desire to advance public health knowledge in Ohio and Kentucky are also highly valued attributes. Preferred characteristics include experience with ethnographic or qualitative case study approaches; experience with multidisciplinary team research and grant-funded projects; basic knowledge of reproductive health landscapes in Kentucky, Ohio or nearby states; demonstrated productivity in terms of published journal articles.

OPEN recognizes the strength that results from a diverse team, and applicants are encouraged to articulate in their cover letters which identities, backgrounds, perspectives, and experiences they will bring to our team. The University of Cincinnati is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer M/F/Vets/Disabled. Women, People of Color, persons with a disability, individuals who come from rural areas or were first-generation college students, and covered veterans and disabled veterans are encouraged to apply. We are committed to increasing the diversity of the University community. Candidates who can contribute to that goal are encouraged to apply and to identify their strengths or experiences in this area. In addition, preference will be given to candidates with ties to Ohio or Kentucky and who have strong intentions to remain or work in the region after training, as well as those who plan to focus on reproductive health policy-relevant research. OPEN does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religion.

Minimum Qualifications

- Applicants must have earned a PhD or equivalent degree in sociology, women's, gender & sexuality studies, anthropology, public health, bioethics, or a related field by January 2019.
- Experience with qualitative methods and data analytic techniques is required

Application Process

Qualified and interested applicants must complete our online application process by visiting <https://job.uc.edu> (Search Requisition #31866). In addition to the application, applicants must submit a current copy of their curriculum vitae; please use the additional documents function and attach a cover letter expressing their knowledge, experience and interests in reproductive health research and details about training and work experience to date; one writing sample; and send contact information for two academic references to Dr. Danielle Bessett (bessetde@ucmail.uc.edu). Applicants who have not yet completed their Ph.D. must also include a letter from their Committee or Department Chair specifying the date of the dissertation defense.

Review of applications will begin on October 1, 2018 date and will continue until the position is filled. We anticipate a position start date in January 2019.