Assistant Research Scientist Position

Description:

The Center for Sexuality & Health Disparities (SexLab) at the University of Michigan invites applications for a non-tenure track Assistant Research Scientist position. The candidate must have interest in the psychosocial, structural, contextual and behavioral factors associated with sexual health. We define sexual health broadly as a state of physical, emotional, and social well-being in relation to sexuality, and encourage research that utilizes a positive and respectful approach to sexuality and sexual relationships, and encourages pleasurable and safe sexual experiences, free of coercion, discrimination and violence. The Assistant Research Scientist will be a member of the SexLab team, and will participate in several studies focused on sexual health with a particular focus on HIV/AIDS and LGBT health. He or she will also be mentored and encouraged to develop his/her own research projects and pursue his/her funded research. The incumbent is expected to take a leadership role in preparing manuscripts for publication, offering technical assistance to community partners, conducting mixed-methods analyses, and collaborating on future grant proposal writing.

The mission of the Center for Sexuality & Health Disparities (SexLab) is to conduct applied social research on sexuality-related health disparities. Our studies seek to identify innovative strategies to inform sexual health promotion interventions and decrease other sexuality-related health disparities. The Center is housed at the University of Michigan - School of Public Health, and has partnerships with community-based organizations, local health departments, and health service and advocacy groups.

This is a 12-month appointment. Two years of full funding will be provided, with the expectation of establishing an independent research program alongside SexLab faculty during this time. Interested candidates should send a letter of intent identifying primary area of research interest, curriculum vitae, a statement of current and future research plans, and two representative publications to Dr. Jose Bauermeister (jbauerme@umich.edu). Review of applications begins September 15 and will continue until position has been filled. The University of Michigan is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

Duties:

- Produce publications for peer-reviewed journals as first or collaborating author.
- Participate in data management and analyses of on-going projects.
- Supervise students and lead teams of university and community colleagues in preparing grant proposals; analyzing and interpreting data; and writing up the results for publication.
- Lead and assist in proposal development to federal, state, and local funding agencies
- Develop research reports and presentations for academic, community, and policy audiences.
- Work collaboratively with SexLab faculty and staff.
Qualifications:

Applicant should possess a Ph.D. in public health, psychology, sociology or related behavioral disciplines, and have a strong interest in HIV/AIDS and/or LGBT health research with adolescents and young adults. Strong quantitative and/or qualitative skills and research experience are preferred. Applicant must also possess excellent communication and collaborative skills and be able to work flexibly as part of a team in a fast-paced research environment. Evidence of scholarship such as publications and involvement in funded research preferred. Interested candidates should send a letter of intent identifying primary area of research interest, curriculum vitae, a statement of current and future research plans, and two representative publications to Dr. Jose Bauermeister (jbauerme@umich.edu).