

Fellowship in Adolescent Research

The Research Group on Adolescent Health (GRSA) at the University Institute of Social and Preventive Medicine (Centre Hospitalier Universitaire Vaudois and University of Lausanne) offers a fellowship in adolescent health research. The overall purpose of this fellowship is to increase the knowledge of adolescent health through research and to prepare young researchers in this domain.

Starting date: January/February 2013, for a period of 24 months (although a 12 months fellowship could also be possible).

Suitable candidates: the fellowship is open to any university graduate in health or social sciences with good interpersonal skills. An excellent English level (written and spoken) is necessary; knowledge of French would be a plus.

Brief description of the curriculum: with the support of the group's staff, the Fellow will conduct a personal research project learning the basic tools of research methodology: designing a project, writing a study protocol, obtaining the approval of the ethics committee, collecting and analyzing data, presenting the results at scientific meetings, writing a manuscript to be submitted to an international peer-reviewed journal. The fellowship will be tailored to the Fellow's interests and needs and s/he will also be able to participate in other research projects conducted by the GRSA staff. At the end of the training, the Fellow is expected to be able to obtain funding and to conduct research by him/herself.

Funding: the Fellow must find his/her own financial support.

Information about the research group: the GRSA is a small but very dynamic research group in the field of adolescent health. Using both quantitative and qualitative research methods, the main areas of research include (but are not limited to): chronic conditions, substance use, sexual behavior and sport practice.

Additional information: Based in Lausanne on the shore of Lake Lemman, the GRSA is closely associated with the Multidisciplinary Unit for Adolescent Health (UMSA, www.umsa.ch) and the EuTEACH program (www.euteach.com).

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