Title

Postdoctoral Position, Psychology and/or Health Communication, University of Florida

Position Description

Dr. Susan Bluck (<u>Psychology</u>) and Dr. Carma Bylund (<u>Health Outcomes</u>) are excited to accept applications for a 2-3 year Postdoctoral Associate position funded through a National Cancer Institute R01 grant. The funded project employs quantitative and narrative data from an existing large, national sample of older persons with cancer. The focus is on conducting interactional analyses (empathic responding in patient-provider dyads) and narrative analysis (narrative richness of patients' life stories) and examining these coded variables as predictors of positive psychosocial outcomes (e.g., dignity).

The Postdoctoral Associate will work closely with the PIs, Research Coordinator, and an enthusiastic team of research assistants, as well as interacting with other study faculty. They will receive dedicated mentoring, have access to multiple data sets, and have ample opportunities for publishing, presentations, and grant-writing training. Opportunities for developing their own research project is also possible, if consistent with goals of the current funding. As Drs. Bluck and Bylund are members of the UF Health Cancer Center, the associate will have the opportunity to participate in Cancer Center activities and post-doctoral programs. Twelve-month annual stipend is commensurate with NIH regulations. Travel funding and benefits are also available. Feel free to reach out for further info to bluck@ufl.edu

Qualifications

By the start date, applicants should have a doctorate in psychology, human development, gerontology, communication, health behavior, or a related field.

Candidates should have excellent organizational and management skills; positive, open communication style for training and leading coding teams; experience writing scientific papers and preparing materials for presentations; preparation to collaborate intellectually with the team; experience with SPSS, statistical analyses (e.g., moderated mediation), interactional/narrative analysis or other qualitative/content analytic methods.

Application Instructions

Please send to Dr. Susan Bluck, <u>bluck@ufl.edu</u> (1) cover letter describing reasons for applying to the position (1 page max), (2) a research statement describing interests and methodological expertise, in relation to the current opportunity (2 pages max), (3) a CV that includes email contact information for three references, (4) 1-2 example publications. Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Optimal start date is December 1, 2021 but is definitely negotiable.

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