Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Community-based Research and Evaluation

Location: Making the Shift Youth Homeless Demonstration Lab, Canadian Observatory on Homelessness, Toronto, ON, Canada

Supervisor: Dr. Stephen Gaetz

Site Description: Making the Shift (MTS), a partnership between A Way Home Canada (AWHC) and the Canadian Observatory on Homelessness (COH), is a youth homelessness demonstration laboratory. AWHC is a national coalition reimagining solutions to youth homelessness through transformations in policy, planning, and practice. The COH is a research institute that conducts and mobilizes research designed to have an impact on solutions to homelessness, and is located at York University in Toronto, Ontario.

Fellowship description: The COH is offering a 1-year Post-Doctoral Fellowship (with possibility of renewal) in community-based research and evaluation with MTS. The specific focus of this Fellowship is on prevention-oriented projects that are underway in 10 cities (in Ontario and Alberta), and engaging with local evaluators and research assistants that are supporting these projects. With a high level of responsibility, the Post-doctoral Fellow will work with the MTS Directors and Research Team, AWHC, the COH Team and Executive Council, demonstration site partners and stakeholders, and people with lived experiences of marginalization and homelessness. This individual will be responsible for the oversight and coordination of major research activities and outputs of the lab, including co-planning and organizing data collection, analysis, and report writing. Writing manuscripts and applying for independent grants and fellowships will be required. Additional duties include database management and supervision of research assistants, practicum students, and volunteers. The successful candidate will demonstrate strong quantitative and qualitative research design and analytic skills, as well as an emerging record of scholarship.

Qualifications:
- PhD or equivalent in psychology or a related social science research field
- Strong quantitative and qualitative research design and analytic skills
- Experience working with marginalized and vulnerable populations of adolescents and emerging adults, including youth who experience homelessness
- Experience conducting community-based research and evaluation
- Experience managing staff, students, and volunteers
- Effective organizational and time management skills
- Outstanding writing and interpersonal skills
How to Apply: Applicants should submit an up-to-date Curriculum Vitae, a letter of interest, their top three publications (published or in press) as well as a plain language writing sample, and up to three references. Please submit your application to Dr. John Ecker – jecker@edu.yorku.ca

We thank all applicants for their time and interest, but only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Priority consideration will be given to applicants who are Canadian citizens or those who are permanent residents of Canada. We are committed to Employment Equity and encourage applications from all qualified candidates.

Job Type: Maternity cover/contract; Full-time, contract

Application Due: November 8, 2019

Start Date: November 30, 2019

Salary: $55,000/year