

Research Staff Positions and Postdoctoral Fellowships available in Global Mental Health, Public Health, and Social Epidemiology: Macau (SAR), China

The Global and Community Mental Health Research Group at the University of Macau (www.um-gmh.com) is a premier multidisciplinary research group comprised of physicians, epidemiologists, social workers, public health professionals, nurses, sociologists, anthropologists and psychologists. Our grant funded research program is focused on 1) addressing disparities in health and healthcare access among communities facing adversity through participatory research, 2) understanding the social production of health and patterning of disease and psychiatric conditions on a population level, and 3) evaluating interventions to reduce mental health problems and poor health among populations who do not have access to needed services globally. Our team and our approaches are truly multi- and transdisciplinary in nature, and multiple perspectives for solutions to community health challenges are welcome. Our research agenda is focused primarily on communities in Asia (Mainland China, Macau, Hong Kong, and Southeast Asia).

We are seeking applications for research staff and postdoctoral fellows to begin in the fall of 2016. Successful applicants should be able to assist in the management and execution of several mixed methods research studies. The **first** involves a culturally informed social and psychiatric epidemiological study in Macau. The **second** is a longitudinal mixed methods study of migrant communities (Filipino, Indonesian, Vietnamese, and Chinese), living in Macau and Hong Kong. Both longitudinal research projects will involve a series of qualitative studies and instrument validation studies leading to quantitative population-level data collection. The **third** project is a qualitative study focused on community-level determinants of policy change related to migrant health and poverty, in partnership with Oxfam. Finally, the **fourth** project is a cultural adaptation and empirical evaluation of low intensity interventions for women experiencing adversity, including survivors of gender based violence, in partnership with the World Health Organization.

The fellows and research staff will assist the PI in study management, statistical analyses, report writing, and journal publication (as lead author or co-author as appropriate). Postdoctoral fellows are expected to be more active leaders within the research group and assist in the mentoring, training and development of PhD students and undergraduates. Engagement in grant writing activities is also expected. Time for mentored independent research is possible.

Ideal qualifications for both positions:

1. Advanced training and skills in qualitative and quantitative methods, including the use of statistical and qualitative software; 2. willingness to relocate to Macau (SAR), China; 3. experience with project leadership in global health or specific research experience in China or Southeast Asia; 4. previous experience working with NGO/iNGO partner organizations; 5. a track record of academic accomplishment (e.g., journal publications) or strong scholarship potential; 5. working knowledge of written and spoken Chinese (Cantonese and Mandarin), and/or (Filipino, Indonesian, Vietnamese, Thai). Language requirements can be relaxed for outstanding candidates.

<u>For Research Staff position</u>: Masters level qualification in public health, epidemiology, biostatistics, anthropology, sociology, medicine, global mental health/global health, or psychology. <u>For the Postdoctoral Fellowship</u>: PhD, or professional equivalent (MD), in public health, epidemiology, biostatistics,

anthropology, sociology, medicine, global mental health/global health, or psychology.

The positions are located in Macau (SAR), China at the University of Macau (www.umac.mo), in a beautiful new campus located in Hengqin Island. We are one hour away from Hong Kong, and two hours away from Guangzhou, China. Housing for research staff and postdoctoral fellows is available on campus. Short-term focused work experiences for specific study phases can also be considered.

To apply or for inquires, please send email directly to Prof. Brian J. Hall (<u>brianhall@umac.mo</u>). Applicants should include: Cover letter, curriculum vitae, representative publication reprints/preprints, and 2 letters of reference; Subject line: Postdoctoral position or Research staff position. Applications accepted on rolling basis.