Prevention Research Center, Research Assistant

Position Description
The Prevention Research Center (PRC) is offering a Research Assistant position to an incoming graduate student at the Brown School pursuing an MPH or MPH/MSW degree and who is interested in chronic disease prevention and population health. The Research Assistant receives mentorship from Professor Ross Brownson and opportunities to contribute to research, policy and project development, and communications. The Research Assistant will assist in a research project that is developing and disseminating approaches to increase implementation of evidence-based policies to reduce obesity disparities and promote health equity, focusing on the uptake of effective local-level policies.

The PRC’s mission is to bridge research, practice and policy to improve community health and achieve equity. The PRC focuses on applied prevention research, with multiple projects designed specifically to develop and evaluate strategies to improve the health of communities. For additional information about the PRC, please visit prcstl.wustl.edu.

Faculty Sponsorship
Ross Brownson, PhD
Steven H. and Susan U. Lipstein Distinguished Professor
Director, Prevention Research Center

Skills and Qualifications
Interested applicants should have excellent verbal, written, organizational, and research skills as well as a strong interest in research and policy development in one or more of the PRC’s areas of work. The student should be able to work an average of 10 hours per week. Experience in any of the following is preferred:
- Qualitative data collection and analysis
- Quantitative data collection and analysis
- Policy analysis
Primary Responsibilities

- Assist project manager and project team with day-to-day project management tasks
- Conduct literature searches
- Assist in qualitative and/or quantitative data collection
- Assist in qualitative and/or quantitative data analysis and data management
- Provide writing and editorial assistance in preparation of grants, manuscripts, and other reports
- Prepare materials and presentations at meetings and conferences
- Perform other tasks and special projects as needed

Compensation & Benefits

Rate of pay: $15/hour

Application Process

Send the following materials to Renee Parks (renee.parks@wustl.edu):
- Resume or curriculum vitae
- Statement of interest (specific to this position, 1-2 pages maximum)

Application Timeline

Applications will be accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis.