



2021/2022 Postdoctoral Scholar

The Center for Demography of Health and Aging (CDHA) at the University of Wisconsin–Madison invites applications for a postdoctoral traineeship beginning in fall 2021 or winter 2022. The CDHA program is funded by the National Institute on Aging (NIA) and intended to support and develop the research and professional skills of recent PhDs in public health and/or the social sciences (including demography, sociology, economics, and related disciplines). Research at CDHA focuses on theoretical, methodological, and policy issues related to population aging and health. The program has a growing research portfolio examining the interplay between social, economic, geographic, and biological determinants of health and longevity. There is an emphasis on the study of genetic and epigenetic biomarkers and recent initiatives to expand research on cognitive health and disparities.

Postdoctoral scholars devote most of their time to independent research and collaboration with faculty mentors at CDHA. They are also encouraged to affiliate with one of the research studies at CDHA, including the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study (WLS), the Midlife in the United States (MIDUS) study, the Survey of the Health of Wisconsin (SHOW), or other major projects led by CDHA faculty. Faculty affiliates come from a number of departments including Sociology, Economics, Community and Environmental Sociology, Social Work, Population Health Sciences, Public Affairs, Statistics, and Psychology. CDHA provides a research and training environment that is strong in collegiality, computing, geographic information analysis, and administrative services. For more information about the Center, research faculty, and current research activities, please visit our website at <http://www.cdha.wisc.edu>

Selection will be based on academic potential and compatibility with a faculty mentor. Stipend will be commensurate with experience, based on levels mandated by NIH. In addition, we expect to support travel to professional meetings. The appointment is for one year with the possibility of extending for a second year, contingent on continued funding. To comply with NIH policy, candidates must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States and must have completed all requirements for the doctorate by the time of the initial appointment. Review of applications will begin on August 15, 2021 and continue until the position is filled. The appointment will begin at a mutually agreeable time in fall 2021 or winter 2022.

To apply, please send (1) Short letter of application that includes your citizenship status, date of availability for the position, and description of your demonstrated commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion through research, teaching, and/or service; (2) Curriculum Vitae; (3) Research statement (1-2 pages) describing current research activities and a plan for postdoctoral research to be conducted at CDHA. Applicants should describe their background in aging research, if any, and propose an aging-related research project; (4) Examples of publications or other written work; and (5) Three letters of recommendation, submitted directly from the recommender. Please email materials to: Michal Engelman, Training Director, Center for Demography of Health and Aging, University of Wisconsin–Madison (mengelman@wisc.edu).

The University of Wisconsin–Madison is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We seek to recruit diverse postdoctoral scholars to maintain the excellence of our research and ground it in varied perspectives and ways of knowing and learning.