

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH POSITION at Boston College to contribute to a mixed-methods evaluation of housing and community redevelopment effects on resident health and educational success.

We are recruiting a postdoctoral fellow to work on the HOME Study, a mixed-methods evaluation of the health (mental, behavioral, and physical) and educational impacts of housing and community redevelopment funded by NIH and the Brady Education Foundation. The study is led by Drs. Rebekah Levine Coley (Applied Developmental Psychology) and Samantha Teixeira (Social Work), along with colleagues in Public Health, Sociology, Clinical Psychology, and Gerontology.

We are seeking a postdoctoral fellow with a clearly articulated portfolio of research aimed at racial and economic equity, housing and neighborhood contexts, health equity, and/or community-engaged research. Ideal candidates will have training in quantitative, qualitative, and mixed-methods data collection and analysis; expertise in field-based research in under-resourced settings; and Spanish and/or Cantonese fluency. The postdoctoral fellow will gain extensive opportunities for primary data collection (surveys, qualitative interviews, air monitoring, and physiological sampling); analysis and management of quantitative and qualitative data; publishing, grant writing, and research translation; supervision of graduate and undergraduate students and project staff; and mentorship from a vibrant, multidisciplinary research team.

Work will take place at Boston College under the direct supervision of Drs. Rebekah Levine Coley (Professor of Counseling, Developmental, and Educational Psychology and Director of the Institute of Early Childhood Policy) and Samantha Teixeira (Associate Professor of Social Work) and at a community site in South Boston.

Key Responsibilities

- Make research contributions to grant-funded research aims, including participating in primary data collection in the community, and managing, cleaning, and analyzing data (quantitative and qualitative).
- Lead development of manuscripts, present results at local and national conferences, and contribute to additional grant applications.
- Participate in weekly team meetings with interdisciplinary research team and quarterly project advisory board meetings.
- Assist with grant administration and management, including participating in community meetings and supervising staff and students.

Qualifications:

- PhD in psychology, sociology, public health, economics, public policy, or social work
- Excellent quantitative data management and analysis skills
- Experience implementing high quality community-based research
- Commitment to using a racial equity lens in research and demonstrated competency in multi-cultural research in low-resource settings

- Excellent written and verbal communication skills and a strong commitment to scholarly productivity
- Demonstrated capacity to work collaboratively as part of a diverse and multi-disciplinary team
- *Fluency in Spanish and/or Cantonese highly desired*

Position Details

Desired start date in summer, 2024. Two-year position (with possibility of renewal). Minimum starting salary of \$65,000 with generous benefits package and professional development funds. Opportunities for grant writing and teaching, if desired. Collegial, team-oriented working environment.

Application Instructions

Interested applicants should submit application materials directly to Dr. Rebekah Levine Coley at coleyre@bc.edu with the title “postdoc application: NAME” in the title. Applications will be reviewed in a rolling fashion (we will continue to review applications until the position is filled). Applicants should provide a cover letter describing one’s research experiences and goals, a curriculum vitae, a first- or solo-authored writing sample, and the names of three references (recommendations will only be requested for finalists). Additional documents helpful in the evaluation of the candidate are welcome. Inquiries regarding this position may be directed to Dr. Rebekah Levine Coley at coleyre@bc.edu or Dr. Samantha Teixeira at teixeisa@bc.edu.

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