

## **Graduate Research Assistantship**

Date: January 2022

Title: Graduate Research Assistant

Department: Population and Quantitative Health Sciences and SOM Community Programs

School: School of Medicine

Location: Mary Ann Swetland Center, 11000 Cedar Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Supervisor Name and Title: Sara Roberts MSSA, LISW; Senior Project Director, NIH Ohio HEALing Communities Study

The Mary Ann Swetland Center for Environmental Health is seeking a graduate student to assist with support for research activities within the Ohio HEALing Communities Study. The Ohio HEALing Communities Study is a randomized controlled community trial that seeks to reduce opioid fatalities in 18 counties in Ohio through implementation research to increase delivery of evidence-based interventions such as naloxone distribution, medically assisted treatment, safer prescribing and stigma reduction. All intervention packages will be tailored at the county level based on extensive engagement with local community coalitions and through examination of local opioid use disorder data trends. The graduate research assistant will be working with investigators and the Senior Project Director to support data collection, scientific literature reviews, protocol refinement, and training coordination. The graduate research assistantship may involve some travel within the state of Ohio. All travel will be reimbursed. The position will require some in-person work within the Swetland Center at CWRU.

### **Responsibilities**

The graduate research assistant must show capacity for working independently as well as collaboratively. The candidate must complete required trainings for the ethical conduct of human subjects research. Responsibilities will include a selection of the following tasks.

1. Assist with landscape analysis tasks to identify community resources related to reducing opioid fatalities in counties in Ohio.
2. Support data collection tasks including document management, accuracy review and record keeping.
3. Assist with organization of study documents in Box and tracking systems
4. Assist with literature reviews
5. Assist with the development of training materials to support community facilitators working to reduce opioid fatalities.
6. Support development of manuscripts and presentations.
7. Other tasks as needed.

### **Required Skills**

Candidate must currently be enrolled as a graduate student at CWRU. Preference will be given to candidates with experience in community-engaged research and opioid use disorders. Applicants will be considered based on the following skills set:

1. Experience in community engaged work.
2. Experience organizing data and relevant documentation
3. Excellent written and oral communication skills with capacity to communicate complex ideas to diverse audiences
4. Excellent attention to detail
5. Ability to work collaboratively in cross-function teams comprised of individuals from various academic departments and community sectors
6. Ability to be motivated, self-directed, and independent
7. Ability to meet consistent attendance. Ability to interact with colleagues, supervisors, and cross-institutional staff.

### **Hours and Payment**

The graduate research assistant will work 20 hours/week. Hourly wages are \$15-\$18/hour depending on experience. Work related travel would be reimbursed. This position will begin as soon as filled with the potential to continue until March 2023 based on job performance and funding.

### **Application**

Interested applicants must be a CWRU student. To apply for the graduate research assistantship position, applicants should complete an application, indicate that you are applying for the “HCS Graduate Research Assistantship”, and attach course schedule, CV/resume, and cover letter indicating your research experience and interest in the position. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until filled with the goal of starting the position ASAP. Please direct questions to Sara Roberts at [smr173@case.edu](mailto:smr173@case.edu).