

Postdoctoral Research Fellowship

Description. The NIH-funded project entitled *The Vietnam Health and Aging Study (VHAS)* at the University of Utah (PI, Dr. Kim Korinek, Sociology) is currently recruiting a postdoctoral fellow with expertise in health and aging research. The VHAS main foci are the collection and analysis of extensive survey, anthropometric and biomarker data in a cohort of war survivors in order to disentangle lingering effects of exposure to the Vietnam War on old-age health and mortality. The project aims are to identify the specific life course exposures to wartime stressors and pathways of influence into late adulthood health and wellbeing. The project also documents late life social and family relationships, migration in the life course, and material conditions as they are linked to military service and war exposures in early-mid adulthood. The postdoctoral position is for one year. It is renewable for a second and possibly third year contingent on excellent job performance and continued funding.

Responsibilities. The postdoctoral fellow will take a lead role in data analysis and manuscript preparation on themes related to the main project goals. The postdoctoral fellow will work both independently and collaboratively with the VHAS team, such as through participation in VHAS team meetings and co-authorship on team publications. Where appropriate, the postdoctoral fellow may also be involved in project-related grant proposal preparation.

Minimum Qualifications. Candidates are required to have a PhD or equivalent doctoral degree in demography, sociology, gerontology, statistics, public health or other relevant field. All requirements for the degree must be completed before the position begins. Candidates must have strong statistical and data management skills, hands-on experience with quantitative analysis, and excellent Stata and/or R programming skills and experience. Candidates must work well in a collaborative research environment and have good interpersonal skills. Excellent professional writing is also essential. Experience working with complex social survey data is strongly preferred.

Special Instructions. Applications should include a brief cover letter describing why they are interested in the position, a *curriculum vita*, a writing sample, and three letters of recommendation. Review of applications will begin on May 1 and continue until the position is filled.

To apply, and for further information visit: <https://utah.peopleadmin.com/postings/89836>

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To inquire about this posting, email: employment@utah.edu or call 801-581-2300. Reasonable accommodations in the application process will be provided to qualified individuals with disabilities. To request an accommodation or for further information about University AA/EO policies, please contact the Office of Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action, 201 S. Presidents Cr., Rm 135, (801) 581-8365 (V/TDD), email: oeo@uemail.utah.edu.

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