

JOB OPPORTUNITY FOR PSU STUDENTS

Research and Training Center on Family Support and Children's Mental Health

Application deadline: Monday, October 13, 2008

- What:** A paid student position for an undergraduate or graduate student who is from a group underrepresented in children's mental health research, including students of color, students with disabilities, and first generation college students. The pay is \$10 an hour with some tuition assistance available for undergraduate students.
- Who:** The Research and Training Center (RTC) on Family Support and Children's Mental Health, affiliated with the School of Social Work at PSU, is dedicated to promoting effective community-based, culturally competent, family-centered services for families and their children who are, or may be affected by mental, emotional or behavioral disorders. The RTC offers a mentorship program for students from underrepresented groups who would like to further their research skills and knowledge. For more information about the RTC and the Underrepresented Researchers Mentoring Program, visit: [www.rtc.pdx.edu](http://www rtc pdx edu).
- When:** This position will begin October 2008 and go through spring term 2009. (There is the option to continue working through summer 2009). Each student will work approximately twelve to fourteen hours/week.
- Where:** RTC offices are on the PSU campus on the 9th floor of the Market Building, 1600 SW 4th Ave (corner of 4th and Market Street). A wheelchair accessible entrance is on the Market Street side of the building.
- Why:** The RTC has the opportunity to provide resources and support to groups who are currently underrepresented in the research areas we pursue. In turn, these students will offer valuable knowledge and experience to the RTC.

What kind of student are we looking for?

This position is targeted to underrepresented students who have knowledge of, or personal experience with diverse cultures. We are looking for a student who can draw on one or more of the following: writing and/or research skills; a developed commitment to the field of children's mental health and child and family well-being; and work with social service or community organizations.

What will the student in this position be doing?

The student we hire will work on one of the Center's research projects. This work might include meetings with project staff, reading and researching the related literature, and/or being involved in qualitative or quantitative research. Part of the student's time will be devoted to working on the particular research skills the student identifies in cooperation with the program coordinator (i.e., database searching, carrying out literature reviews, writing skills, etc.).

How to Apply:

Submit the following to the attention of Anna Malsch, (contact info below) prior to the application deadline:

- (1) a copy of your resume;
- (2) a letter of application explaining your interest in research at the RTC, the experience and knowledge you bring to this position, and your ability to devote the required time to this position;
- (3) a writing sample from a university course (at least five pages); and
- (4) two academic reference letters.

For more information about these positions, contact:

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