**Predoctoral Fellowship in Child & Family Well-being**

**POSITION:** The Institute for Child and Family Well-being at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) invites applications for a predoctoral fellowship that will enable a graduate student to receive mentorship and up to $18,000 in support while preparing for and conducting dissertation research. The Institute is a community-university partnership that aims to improve the lives of children and families by implementing effective programs, conducting cutting-edge research, engaging communities, and promoting systems change.

The predoctoral fellow will work with Institute faculty on research that aims to produce knowledge that can be applied to promote better and more equitable outcomes for children and families. This mentored research experience will be primarily devoted to strengthening the fellow’s conceptual, methodological, and writing skills while authoring and co-authoring scholarly publications. The fellow’s work may contribute to a dissertation, though this is not a requirement.

The fellowship will provide an annual stipend of $6,000 for up to three years. A progress review will be completed each year to determine if the fellow qualifies for continued funding based on their level of productivity in collaboration with Institute faculty.

Doctoral students from diverse backgrounds and diverse disciplines such as social work, psychology, public health, and sociology are encouraged to apply. Students are expected to have completed their required Ph.D. coursework by the start date of the award. Preference will be given to applicants whose research focuses on social issues that affect disadvantaged and marginalized populations. Preference also will be given to applicants who articulate a plan for collaborating with Institute faculty to conduct quantitative research using datasets that are housed at the Institute. The Institute will provide guidance in developing protocols for data sharing and protection of human subjects as needed. Applicants should demonstrate that they have strong writing skills, sound research training, and experience using statistical software (e.g., MPlus, R, SAS, SPSS, Stata).

Applications are being accepted now through September 15, 2021. To apply, please submit your materials using the following link: [https://milwaukee.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3r9kx6dOnA1TWmO](https://milwaukee.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3r9kx6dOnA1TWmO).

You will be asked to submit a cover letter describing your interests and qualifications; include in your letter the contact information for two academic references. Please also submit a copy of your CV and a writing sample. Institute faculty will promptly review applications and select candidates to interview, with the expectation of making a decision in November.

For questions about the predoctoral fellowship, please contact Dr. Joshua Mersky, Co-Director, Institute for Child and Family Well-being: [mersky@uwm.edu](mailto:mersky@uwm.edu).