Institute for Social and Environmental Research Nepal (ISER-N) Fulbari, Chitwan Nepal

Vacancy Announcement

Position: Postdoctoral Fellow in Aging and Mental Health

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The Institute for Social and Environmental Research, Nepal (ISER-N) is seeking a highly motivated and qualified recent Ph.D. graduate in public health or a social science discipline with strong quantitative skills for a full-time postdoctoral position. ISER-N is research and development institute, based in Chitwan, dedicated to turning knowledge into practice to improve human lives and environmental conditions. ISER-N's impetus lies in evidence-based decision-making processes that build upon high quality scientific research to promote informed policy decisions, and identify effective sustainable development initiatives. ISER-N research programs are both creative and collaborative embracing longitudinal and multilevel research designs with mixed-method measurements (for more information, please visit www.isernepal.org.np). The successful applicant will participate in a NIA-funded study on International labor migration, armed conflict, and dementia risk in Chitwan District of Nepal. The selected Fellow will also work closely with researchers in Nepal as well as from the University of Michigan, Georgetown University, and other affiliated institutions.

Major Duties/Responsibilities:

- Participate in all aspects of demographic and public health research, including research protocol and instrument design, translation, adoption, validation, data collection and management, analysis, and dissemination.
- Conduct statistical analysis and prepare manuscripts from the Chitwan Valley Family Study (CVFS) and aging study.
- Develop new research ideas and grant proposals that build on our existing research infrastructure in Nepal.

Duration: This is a full-time 2-year appointment with year-to-year renewal, and a possibility of extension based on satisfactory performance, starting no later than June 2023.

Qualifications:

- Ph.D. (or equivalent) in public health or a social science discipline.
- Strong statistical analysis skills.
- Strong interest in aging and mental health research.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills in English and Nepali.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively.
- Strong publication record.
- Fieldwork experience, preferably in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).
- Experience with human subjects research
- Experience with public health research is a plus

Renumeration: As per institute's policy

To apply: Email at <u>iser.nepal@outlook.com</u> with a cover letter outlining research interests and experience, a curriculum vita and copies of 2 or 3 (preferably first authored) papers, published, in press, or in preparation, with a cover letter. Names of 3 references may be requested from applicants, but not until after an interview.

Review of applications will begin immediately upon receipt. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interview. The position will remain open until filled.