

Postdoctoral Research Fellow
Department of Psychology, MacEwan University

Start date: Ideally September 2015, but negotiable

Duration: Full-time fellowship for 1 to 3 years

Dr. Sandy Jung in the Department of Psychology at MacEwan University is seeking a Postdoctoral Research Fellow for a full-time fellowship for 1 to 3 years (annual renewal based on mutual satisfaction). The successful candidate's primary responsibility will be to conduct research and knowledge exchange activities for a SSHRC funded project on intimate partner violence (IPV) risk assessment. The main goals of the project are (1) to examine if commonly used IPV risk assessment instruments can improve police officers' ability to make accurate predictions regarding the likelihood of a future act of IPV; and (2) to gain a practical understanding of the instruments' underlying constructs and the manner in which they are used, combined, and interpreted in the context of police-authored threat assessment. The position would ideally start in September 2015, but the start date is negotiable. Applications will be accepted immediately and considered until the position is filled. The position is based at MacEwan University and the Integrated Threat and Risk Assessment Centre (ITRAC) of the Alberta Law Enforcement Response Teams (ALERT) in Edmonton, Alberta.

Responsibilities and Opportunities

- Receive supervision and mentoring from, and work in collaboration with, Drs. Sandy Jung (MacEwan University), Liam Ennis (ITRAC), Zoe Hilton (Waypoint), and Kevin Nunes (Carleton University)
- Code extensive file information and build a comprehensive dataset
- Data management and analysis
- Coordinate the project
- Train and supervise research assistants and honours thesis students
- Prepare manuscripts and presentations
- Lead and co-author publications and conference presentations
- Work with high-quality data
- Receive training on major IPV risk assessment instruments

Qualifications

- PhD in psychology (completed before starting the position)
- Evidence of potential for research productivity
- Experience and skill in relevant quantitative analyses, data management, research methods, and scientific writing (in English)
- Experience with coding file information (ideally, criminal records and correctional/forensic files)
- Experience working with large datasets
- Conscientious, detail-oriented, reliable, and resourceful
- Works well with a team
- Obtain security clearance

To Apply

Candidates should submit a curriculum vitae, a cover letter outlining research interests, contact information for three references (includes doctoral supervisor), brief summary of doctoral thesis, graduate transcripts, and up to three publications or pre-publication manuscripts to Dr. Sandy Jung: Sandy.Jung@macewan.ca

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.