

GRANT- PAID JOB OPPORTUNITY

We have been asked to assist with recruitment for the following job opportunity.

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**1 Doctoral Student Fellowship and
1 Postdoctoral Fellowship
(Part-time position, based in Halifax or Victoria, with project site in Central
Alberta, Canada)
Resilience Research Centre, Dalhousie University
Resiliencebydesign Lab, Royal Roads University**

POSITION SUMMARY:

The Resilience Research Centre (RRC), based at Dalhousie University, under the direction of Dr. Michael Ungar, Canada Research Chair in Child, Family and Community Resilience, in collaboration with the Resiliencebydesign Lab (RbD) at Royal Roads University, under the direction of Dr. Robin Cox, Program Head of the Disaster and Emergency Management program RRU, is looking for dynamic individuals with an interest in developing expertise in **mixed methods research and evaluation related to resilience/protective processes**. The focus of the RRC's work is with children and youth living in challenging contexts across culturally diverse settings around the world. The RbD lab's work focuses primarily on community and disaster resilience from the perspective of youth while simultaneously building their leadership, research and social innovation capacity and capabilities.

These positions are ideal for doctoral students launching their research careers and postdocs seeking to gain experience developing, funding and managing research projects or mobilizing knowledge. While both positions require experience with mixed methods, it is expected that candidates are, at a minimum, familiar with **analyzing both qualitative and quantitative data**. Proficiency in English is also required. Applicants can be from any discipline, though familiarity with psychological and social factors affecting children, youth and families is preferred.

The RRC is an international group of scholars, practitioners and policy makers from more than 20 countries who together collaborate on research and knowledge mobilization projects. Over the last eight years the Centre has received over \$7M in research funding for mixed methods studies from national funders and helped its overseas partners secure another \$8M from domestic and international granting agencies. This is an excellent opportunity for the right candidate to build a strong network of contacts and increase her/his publications.

The RbD is a transdisciplinary research lab and network of scholars, practitioners, students and youth that applies arts-based, creative-action and mixed methods research to examine and promote citizen engagement in disaster risk reduction and resilience, climate change adaptation and social innovation. With a suite of multiple funded projects, the RbD offers the right candidate an opportunity to make a real world impact on youth, communities and the environment.

Responsibilities:

- Conduct participatory culturally-sensitive research with youth in communities in Western Canada and the Arctic.

Dalhousie University is committed to fostering a collegial culture grounded in diversity and inclusiveness. The university encourages applications from qualified Aboriginal people, persons with a disability, racially visible persons, women, persons of minority sexual orientations and gender identities, and all qualified candidates who would contribute to the diversity of our community. For more information, please visit www.dal.ca/respect

- Participate in the analysis of quantitative and qualitative data and dissemination of results in traditional academic forums (conferences, journal articles, books) and through less traditional, community-based initiatives.
- Develop grant proposals and implement/manage research projects.
- Assist with ethics submissions and report writing.
- Assist with grant writing and other aspects of Centre sustainability
- Assist with training and supervision of other Research Assistants.
- Advise on knowledge mobilization strategies, and assist with and lead knowledge mobilization initiatives

Requirements:

- Demonstrated proficiency with qualitative and quantitative data analysis and statistical software (Atlas.ti, SPSS, SAS, Excel, etc.).
- Familiarity with qualitative data analysis and qualitative data analysis software.
- Understanding of risk and resilience issues and demonstrated sensitivity to work with children and youth.
- The ideal candidate will have completed a Doctoral program or be enrolled in one, in a related field of study.
- Candidates should have a proven track record of research and publication.
- Experience developing successful grant applications
- Prior experience managing staff or leading a team
- Familiarity with working cross-culturally (Demonstrated ability to work effectively across cultures and with diverse stakeholders).

Status: Part-time, Postdocs are expected to devote at least 50% of their time to the projects of the RRC or RbD (based on location) while continuing to pursue their own program of research. Doctoral students will be expected to contribute 10-20 hours a week to RRC and/or RbD projects, with the expectation that their doctoral research extends or builds upon the work of the RRC and/or RbD.

Pay Scale: Doctoral fellowships: \$18,500/year for up to 2 years. Postdocs: \$45,000/year for up to two years.

Start Date: Immediate (with likely periods for field research May-August 2017 in Central Alberta and/or Western Arctic)

Deadline for application: Ongoing

Applications will be reviewed as they are received. We thank all applicants, however, only selected candidates will be contacted. Interested parties should forward a cover letter and current CV, an indication of as well as a list of 2-3 references (with contact information) to: amber.raja@dal.ca