University of Toronto

JOB POSTING – POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW

Area of Research: Exercise and Cancer Survivorship

Description of duties
Dr. Linda Trinh invites applications for a 1-2 year post-doctoral fellowship in the area of exercise and cancer survivorship. The successful candidate will work on a CIHR-funded grant related to a distance-based intervention for reducing sedentary time in prostate cancer survivors. The randomized controlled trial is a 12-week intervention that includes wearables and behavioural counselling. The postdoctoral fellow will be responsible for all aspects of the project, including day-to-day activities of recruitment, data collection and management, screening, randomization, and compiling and distribution of feedback across the study. The project will provide opportunities to assist with intervention delivery and exercise testing. The successful candidate may also conduct independent research, write and lead manuscripts, present at national/international conferences, and mentor graduate and undergraduate students. The lab engages in highly collaborative projects with other faculty members, as well as some of the largest cancer centres in the Canada (Princess Margaret Cancer Centre, Odette Cancer Centre).

Salary: $50,000 - $65,000 CAD, commensurate with qualifications

Required qualifications:

- Ph.D. in kinesiology, psychology, or a related field. Applicants who are “all-but-dissertation” will also be considered (<5 years post PhD, i.e., awarded date of no earlier than September 1, 2017)
- Strong track record of scholarly achievements for stage of development, and advanced expertise in quantitative data analysis and interpretation
- Strong written and verbal communication skills, leadership, and organizational skills
- Experience with the delivery of randomized controlled trials
- Experience with device-measured physical activity and sedentary behaviour (e.g., accelerometers, Fitbits, inclinometers)
- Ability to work independently, and also collaboratively in a team
- Experience working with clinical populations is highly preferable, but not required
- Experience providing mentorship to graduate and undergraduate students
About the Lab and Research Environment

Dr. Linda Trinh leads The Exercise Oncology Lab in the Faculty of Kinesiology & Physical Education. The Exercise Oncology Lab is funded by the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) and is dedicated exclusively to developing, assessing, and evaluating behaviour change interventions in cancer survivors. The funding from CFI (Canada Foundation for Innovation) and its partner, the ORF (Ontario Research Fund), is a major contribution to my research program, and represents one of the most nationally significant investments in research on exercise and cancer survivorship.

More information on the lab can be found here: https://kpe.utoronto.ca/academics-research-units-labs-centres/exercise-oncology-lab

About the University of Toronto and the Faculty of Kinesiology & Physical Education

The University of Toronto - the country’s top university, and one of the top 20 in the world – and the Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education provide the successful candidate with unparalleled professional and personal opportunities to launch their career goals. As a member of the largest research-based university in Canada, the candidate will be an integral member of a community that is at the forefront of innovation. To facilitate academic and professional development, the successful candidate will have access to the following services and opportunities:

- A centralized postdoctoral office within the School of Graduate Studies to enhance training experiences for postdoctoral fellows
- Research Services Office that provides support for research ethics and grant writing
- Writing Centre that provides 1:1 writing support
- Public Relations & Communications Office that circulates news about research findings and knowledge mobilization activities. This office also provides support for media interactions and media relations training.
- Information Technology services that supports research, including secure survey, data storage, and conferencing software.
- UofT offers a wide range of research and teaching workshops
- UofT offers the best library system in Canada

Application instructions

Please send your application to Dr. Linda Trinh (linda.trinh@utoronto.ca) as a single PDF file. Application materials must include: a) a cover letter; b) your CV; c) a reprint of one or two publications that best represent your expertise; and d) the names and contact information of three academic references. If you have any questions about the position, please contact Dr. Linda Trinh.

Closing date: Review of applications will begin August 22, 2022 until the position is filled.

Expected start date: October 1, 2022 or negotiable
Term: 1-2 years

FTE: 100%

The normal hours of work are 40 hours per week for a full-time postdoctoral fellow (pro-rated for those holding a partial appointment) recognizing that the needs of the employee’s research and training and the needs of the supervisor’s research program may require flexibility in the performance of the employee’s duties and hours of work.

Employment as a Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Toronto is covered by the terms of the CUPE 3902 Unit 5 Collective Agreement.

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The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from racialized persons / persons of colour, women, Indigenous / Aboriginal People of North America, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.