

**Postdoctoral Research Position
Population Research Center and Department of Psychology
The University of Texas at Austin**

Job Description Summary

The Population Research Center and Department of Psychology at The University of Texas at Austin (PI: Cristine Legare) invite applications for a Postdoctoral Researcher. The successful candidate will work on an international, interdisciplinary research program funded by Templeton Religion Trust called the ***Culture of Schooling Project***.

Grand claims have been made about the impact of formal education on demographic and economic outcomes, but much less is known about how it impacts the kind of beliefs, values, and practices individuals and groups adopt. This project will systematically document and explain the impact of formal education on the scientific and religious beliefs, values, and behaviors of individuals and groups.

This position will entail taking a leadership role in supervising and conducting cross-cultural social scientific research in collaboration with partners at multiple international universities. The successful candidate must be committed to team-based science and will receive substantive career mentoring and opportunities for independent research and professional development.

Responsibilities

- Facilitating relationships with international collaborators and fieldsite supervisors, schools, families, and community organizations
- Conducting international fieldwork: Supervising data collection with children and adults
- Supervision of a research team
- Overseeing data management and coding
- Qualitative and quantitative data analyses
- Co-writing reports for funding agencies
- Presentations at conferences and workshops
- Authorship (under PI guidance) of publications in peer-reviewed journals.

Required Qualifications

Ph.D. in psychology, anthropology, biology, education, human development, cognitive science, or related discipline.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Demonstrated capacity for independent, creative scholarship
- Strong writing skills; and evidence of productivity in peer-reviewed journals

- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Experience with behavioral coding software (Datavyu or similar software)
- Diverse methodological toolkit (interviews, observation, experiments, ethnography)
- Project management experience
- Advanced computer skills in Microsoft Office Suite and Excel
- Advanced quantitative data analyses skills (e.g., SEM, multi-level modeling, Bayesian statistics) and proficiency with statistical software (including R).
- Experience conducting cross-cultural research with children and adults is strongly preferred.

Required Materials

- CV
- Contact details for three referees
- 3 page statement of research interests, experience, and fit with project objectives
- 3 publications/manuscripts

Application materials are due January 31, 2020. Please send materials in one PDF document to: EvoLearnLab@austin.utexas.edu

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