Postdoctoral Scholar –

Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study

The Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study (FFCWS) at Columbia University School of Social Work is seeking a postdoctoral scholar with a PhD in economics, public policy, demography, social work, sociology, or a related discipline to work with the FFCWS team (including Jeanne Brooks-Gunn, Irv Garfinkel, Ronald Mincy, Julien Teitler, and Jane Waldfogel at Columbia and Kathy Edin at Princeton) through an NIH administrative supplement. The candidate must meet NIH’s specified eligibility as a member of a group that is historically underrepresented in the health-related sciences.

The postdoc will conduct analyses of youth and family wellbeing, drawing on the age 22 wave (currently in progress) as well as earlier waves. Topics of interest include education, employment, housing, income and assistance, relationships, family formation and childbearing, identity, health, and substance use, with a special focus on system-involved youth and a cross-cutting focus on racial inequalities and structural racism.

The postdoctoral fellowship is for two years. Once a candidate is selected, the FFCWS team will submit an application for an NIH administrative supplement. However, the position is not contingent on receipt of that funding.

To apply, submit a cover letter, CV or resume, sample paper or publication, and 3 reference letters to
https://cupop.formstack.com/forms/postdoctoral_scholar_fragile_families_and_child_wellbeing_study

Each application will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- The degree of fit of research interests
- How the postdoctoral training will help to further the postdoctoral scholar’s research trajectory
- Demonstrated record of work with quantitative data
- Demonstrated quality of writing
- Strength of reference letters

Deadline for applications is November 1, 2021, but applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, starting immediately.