

Health Promotion Research Center

Postdoctoral Fellowship in Tobacco Regulatory Science Research

Description: The Health Promotion Research Center (HPRC) of the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center announces a post-doctoral fellowship opportunity (1-3 year appointment) in tobacco regulatory science research, including the areas of flavored tobacco product use, tobacco health communication and/or prevention, epidemiology of tobacco use, and/or health disparities in tobacco use. **Salary is \$60,000/year + \$10,000 research fund for data collection to support grant applications and manuscript submissions and/or professional development.**

The fellow will work with Dr. Amy Cohn and her team in areas relevant to tobacco regulatory science research, with a focus on vulnerable populations; flavored tobacco use, susceptibility to use, and exposure; and tobacco product co-use with alcohol and cannabis. Dr. Cohn's current NIH-funded research focuses on understanding appeal for flavored tobacco products, including menthol cigarettes, and uses a variety of methodological approaches, including ecological momentary assessment (EMA), secondary analysis of population-based datasets, laboratory smoking topography studies, behavioral economic paradigms, and computer-based experimental tasks. Opportunities exist to be involved in several ongoing clinical trials funded by NIDA and the FDA Center for Tobacco Products, as well as secondary analysis of completed NIH/FDA studies, the Population Assessment of Tobacco and Health study, and a state wide multi-wave survey of cannabis use behavior and perceptions in n = 6,000 youth and adults. The HPRC houses a unique Tobacco Regulatory Science laboratory with four private laboratory rooms configured to measure combustible and e-cigarette topography with desktop and remote topography machines; the Tobacco Treatment Research Program that offers free cessation treatment to the community; and the Mobile Health Technology Shared Resource that offers a platform for smartphone-based EMA data collection and intervention/prevention development. Opportunities to collect biological samples also exist. The fellow may also have access to training and research opportunities through the OU PRIME (Psychological Research on Information and Media Effects) Lab in the Center for Applied Social Research at the University of Oklahoma Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication. The OU Prime Lab is specifically designed to conduct cutting-edge research on how individuals cognitively and emotionally process media and health communication messages, including anti-tobacco messaging (<https://ou-primelab.oucreate.com/lab/>). The HPRC is part of the NCI-Designated Stephenson Cancer Center (SCC), which offers a variety of resources for research implementation and professional development. The fellow will be highly involved in manuscript and grant writing. Fellows take part in the formal HPRC training program, which includes seminars in grant writing, professional development (e.g., tenure), and advanced statistical techniques.

Qualifications: Qualifications include a doctoral degree in social/behavioral sciences, public health, psychology, or other relevant area. Excellent writing and analytic skills required. Experience with tobacco research, experimental and quantitative methods, or analysis of large population-based datasets are preferred. Salary and benefits are excellent.

Application: Send a CV and 1-2 page cover letter describing research interests and career goals to Dr. Amy Cohn amy-cohn@ouhsc.edu. Applications reviewed on a rolling basis and until position is filled. For more information on HPRC, visit: <https://healthpromotionresearch.org/>

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