



Western
Centre for School
Mental Health

Postdoctoral Associate (PDA) positions (2) in Dating Violence Prevention / Mental Health Promotion

Area: Psychology, human development, public health, prevention science or related discipline
Duration: Two years
Start date: September 1, 2019
Salary: \$55,000/year plus benefits

The **Centre for School Mental Health** in the **Faculty of Education** at Western University is accepting applications for two Postdoctoral Associates in **Teen Dating Violence Prevention/School Mental Health Promotion**.

Job Description:

The PDAs will contribute to Dr. Claire Crooks' [federally-funded research program](#) on building healthy relationships as a foundation for positive mental health promotion and teen dating violence prevention. The PDAs will actively engage on a large project that includes the evaluation of a healthy relationships program for vulnerable youth and an evaluation of programming specifically developed for LGBTQ2Q+ youth. There are other smaller studies related to the development of programming specifically for Indigenous youth and also for newcomer youth.

The postdoctoral scholar will receive payment of \$55,000/year, plus vacation time and benefits in accordance with the [PSAC Collective Agreement](#). The PDAs will also be provided with appropriate research/office space and resources required to complete the research. Time will also be provided for PDAs to continue to build and advance their own program of work. The successful incumbents will be strongly encouraged to apply for national/international awards. There may also be opportunities to undertake clinical work under supervision to work towards registration as a psychologist (if applicable).

Qualifications:

- Applicants must hold a PhD in psychology, human development, public health, prevention science, epidemiology or a related discipline by the time of the position start date
- Strong experience with quantitative data collection and analysis is required; experience with mixed-methods research is preferred
- Expertise in program evaluation and/or implementation science, and experience conducting school- or community-based research is required
- Demonstrated capacity to work effectively in a collaborative environment
- Excellent written and oral communication skills

Application details:

Applications should include 1) a cover letter that explains how the applicant's program of research and publication record is appropriate for the current position and 2) a CV. Please email PDF copies of the application package (CV and cover letter) to:

Claire Crooks, Director

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Successful candidates will be required to complete [The Appointment Process](#) through Western University's Graduate & Postdoctoral Studies.

About the Centre for School Mental Health at Western University

The [Centre for School Mental Health at Western University](#) addresses gaps between research, practice and policy in the development and implementation of effective programming for children and youth. Our multidisciplinary CSMH team seeks to promote an expanded concept of School Mental Health through innovative research partnerships, high quality training opportunities, and a commitment to knowledge mobilization. We develop, implement, and evaluate mental health and violence prevention programming in a range of settings. We have a strong commitment to effective knowledge mobilization and utilize an array of engaging strategies to move evidence into practice.

About London

Set in the heart of Southwestern Ontario, London is the region's economic, entertainment and cultural hub. With a population of more than 383,000, London is Canada's 11th largest city and an ideal environment to work, play and live. Big enough for the 'big city' experience, but still far more affordable in comparison with many other Canadian cities, London boasts an extensive educational and health care community, while providing the safe and clean atmosphere of a small community.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Western University respects, appreciates, and encourages diversity.