Position: Graduate Student Research Assistant

Starting Date: Open

Minimum Qualifications

The Center for Policy, Research, and Evaluation at NYU Steinhardt’s Metropolitan Center for Research on Equity and the Transformation of Schools (Metro Center) is seeking a graduate research assistant (up to 20 hours/week). The selected candidate will work closely with the Research and Evaluation team to provide general project support including qualitative analysis, quantitative analysis, summarizing results, and administrative responsibilities.

Thus, we seek an individual with a strong foundation in research methods and measurements, and/or mixed methods research designs. The ideal candidate will have experience performing cutting edge educational research in one of the following sub-disciplines: sociology, social or cultural psychology, economics, education studies, or an interdisciplinary, social sciences set of fields.

The applicant must have demonstrated interest in issues of equity and social justice in education (e.g., culturally responsive education, anti-racist education, trauma informed practices, Response To Intervention, restorative justice), privileging a strengths-based framework in her or his scholarship. The applicant must be interested in part of a team (or teams) of researchers and can demonstrate the ability and/or interest in working in multiethnic, multicultural environments.

The successful candidate will be committed to the success of all NYU Metro Center projects and to an environment that acknowledges, encourages, and celebrates diversity and differences. To this end, the successful candidate will work effectively, respectfully, and collaboratively in diverse, multicultural, and inclusive settings. In addition, the successful candidate will be ready to join NYU faculty, staff, students, and administrators in our University’s shared commitment to the principles of engagement, service, and the public good.

In addition to the items detailed above, the following qualifications are required:

- Current Master’s or PhD candidate at NYU
- Familiarity with research design and research methodology

Preferred Qualifications

Preference will be given to individuals with the following experiences:

- Experience conducting qualitative research including conducting interviews, coding, and/or document review
- Experience using Excel or SPSS to analyze quantitative data and develop charts, graphs, and other visualizations
- Familiarity with NYU UCAIHS or other IRB processes
Duties: Under the direction of the Assistant Director, the Graduate Research Assistant will provide support for research and evaluation projects within the Center. Specific responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Submit and maintain Institutional Review Board applications
- Review of project documents (notes, schedules, etc.) for research purposes
- Conducting literature reviews
- Analysis of survey data
- Synthesize and summarize results from qualitative and quantitative analysis
- Coordinate and communicate with the Center’s Assistant Director and other staff
- Other responsibilities, as assigned

Salary: Initial salary commensurate with qualifications and experience

About Center for Research & Evaluation: The Center for Research and Evaluation at NYU Metro Center conducts applied research and evaluation studies focused on promoting positive educational outcomes for youth, and understanding the influence of both schools and communities on those outcomes. The department’s work encompasses original research, internal and external evaluation projects, as well as a rapid response unit (data on demand) that supports the work of educational advocates via research capacity. Its goal is to use research to inform educational policies and practices at federal, state, local, and programmatic levels.

About NYU Metro Center: NYU Metro Center is dedicated to the pursuit of academic excellence and educational justice for all students. We partner with local and state educational agencies to strengthen access, opportunity, and educational quality, particularly for young people from historically vulnerable groups. The Center accomplishes this mission through the implementation of high-quality research, strategic assistance to schools and districts, and direct services to students, teachers, parents, administrators, policy makers, and organizations committed to equity and educational improvement.

How to Apply: Please send your resume and a cover letter detailing your interest in this position to Joy Sanzone, js7556@nyu.edu. No phone calls, please. Resume review will begin immediately and be conducted on a rolling basis.

Applications from women, minorities, and individuals from underserved or underrepresented groups with a strong record of research are encouraged to apply. All qualified individuals will receive equal consideration without regard to economic status, race, ethnicity, color, religion, marital status, pregnancy, national origin or cultural background, political views, sex or sexual orientation, gender identification, age, disability, disabled veteran or Vietnam era veteran status.

Upon request, reasonable accommodation will be provided to individuals with protected disabilities to (a) complete the employment process and (b) perform essential job functions when this does not cause undue hardship.

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