Attention students interested in doing a PhD in public health!

Funded PhD training opportunity, with September 2023 start, available for a candidate planning to pursue the PhD program in Public Health Sciences at Queen’s University in Kingston, Ontario, Canada. Please visit the program’s website for details on the PhD program, how to apply to the degree program, and 2023 application timelines: https://phs.queensu.ca/programs-courses/degree-programs/phd-public-health-sciences/how-apply. Applicants to the degree program are expected to identify a supervisor and topic area/project opportunity early in the program application process. The following in one such opportunity:

The student selected for the following project opportunity will pursue their PhD dissertation work in the area of sleep, mental health, Indigenous health, and community-based research based on OCAP (Ownership, Control, Access, and Possession) principles in collaboration with Indigenous peoples. The student will work under the primary supervision of Dr. Amrita Roy, an MD-PhD clinician-scientist in Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences at Queen’s, and will be mentored by a larger team of multidisciplinary researchers at Queen’s and at other universities as part of the national Sleep Research Consortium.

This CIHR-funded research involves working in close partnership with Akwesasne Mohawk Nation, and is centered on the principles of OCAP, community engagement, and ethical and respectful research with First Nations. The doctoral student will have the opportunity to pursue multi-methods research, including a qualitative constructivist theory study and other components geared towards applied health research and intervention research. The doctoral student will have the opportunity to develop skills in community-based participatory research with Indigenous peoples. There will be opportunities to present and publish, and the student will be mentored by a strong team of researchers with expertise in sleep, public health, mental health, health services and policy, primary care, medical education, Indigenous health, community-based research, as well methodological expertise in both qualitative and quantitative methods.

Interested candidates are invited to e-mail Dr. Amrita Roy at amrita.roy@queensu.ca for more information, and/or to indicate interest in being considered for the position. Please include a CV, as well as a cover letter summarizing background and research interests.

Note: This project is taking a community-based, participatory, OCAP-centered approach to Indigenous health research, in partnership with Akwesasne Mohawk Nation. Candidates who identify as Indigenous are invited to describe in detail their connection(s) and relationship(s) to the claimed Indigenous community. Non-Indigenous candidates are invited to explain their reason(s) for being interested in this project, and to also share past experiences (if any) of working collaboratively with Indigenous communities.