**Graduate Student Research Assistant Opportunity**

**New Jersey Population Health (NJHealth) Cohort Study**

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We are seeking applications for a Rutgers graduate student research assistant with strong training and experience in **survey data preparation, management and analysis** to join the Center for State Health Policy’s (CSHP) team and work on the New Jersey Population Health (NJHealth) Cohort Study, a large epidemiological cohort study examining relationships between stressors over the lifecourse and health among individuals age 14 and older, and possibly other studies. The NJHealth study includes a diverse sample, with an emphasis on immigrants and other populations likely to experience stressors. More information about the NJHealth study can be found at: <https://njhealthstudy.rutgers.edu/en>.

**Responsibilities**

* Clean and recode data and prepare codebooks and other documentation
* Conduct geocoding and prepare scales and calculated variables
* Work with study investigators to analyze NJHealth and other data for grant proposals and publications, apply descriptive and advanced statistical techniques
* Conduct literature searches and reviews
* Prepare tables, charts and bibliographic materials for manuscripts and other publications and contribute to writing of publications

**Qualifications & Skills**

Current enrollment in a graduate program at Rutgers, PhD level preferred, in quantitative social science or health fields such as epidemiology, biostatistics, sociology, psychology, social work or public policy, with strong data analysis skills. Proficiency using at least one programming language such as SAS, R or SPSS. Experience analyzing complex survey data (e.g., with population weights) is preferred. Ability to work independently and in collaboration with multiple investigators. Effective oral and written communication skills are essential.

**Salary:** $23-$27/hour depending on level of training and experience, up to 20h/week.

This is hybrid position with the ability to complete most of this work remotely. However, there will be opportunities for the research assistant to join in-person team meetings to enhance the experience. The successful candidate will beging as soon as possible. They will report to one or more factuly member.

Please apply by emailing a cover letter descrbing your relevant skills, course work, experience, expected date of gradulation, a resume/CV, and 2 references to Angelina Lowder, Executive Assistant at CSHP, at [alowder@cshp.rutgers.edu](mailto:alowder@cshp.rutgers.edu). Review of applications will begin immediately and proceed until the position is filled.