

Research Assistant - 1 position Lawson Health Research Institute Parkwood Institute - Main Building

Full Time Non-Union Posting #: 35573

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Submission Deadline: August 08, 2016

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This is a term position for two (2) years, until approximately August 15, 2018, subject to the availability of work.

The Lawson Health Research Institute is one of Canada's largest and most respected hospital-based research institutes. As the research institute of St. Joseph's Health Care London and London Health Sciences Centre, and working in partnership with Western University, Lawson is committed to furthering scientific knowledge to advance health care around the world and to helping people live healthier lives by enhancing our knowledge of how to prevent, diagnose, and treat disease.

Working at the Gait and Brain Lab, under the supervision of Principal Investigator, Dr. Manuel Montero-Odasso, the successful candidate will work within a multi-disciplinary research team at Parkwood Institute on research studies related to mobility and cognition in older adults. Currently the Gait and Brain lab is leading several national and local clinical studies involving older adults, cognition, mobility and frailty. The Gait and Brain Lab aims to provide a collegial environment for their personnel and foster career building opportunities. More information regarding our line of research and opportunities can be found at gaitandbrain.com

As a Research Assistant, the successful candidate will be required to create, correct, and manage databases, analyze research findings, and present them as preliminary and final reports. In addition to this, the Research Assistant will assist in the recruitment of study participants, work collaboratively with seniors in the community and retirement homes, and help in conducting interviews, cognitive assessment questionnaires, and mobility assessments under the supervision of the Principal Investigator and the Research Coordinator.

## **Essential Qualifications**

- Bachelors degree in Health Sciences. Social Sciences or other health-related field
- Minimum 1 (one) year related research experience
- Strong understanding of qualitative and quantitative research principles
- Proficiency in data management, and experience with spreadsheet/database/analysis software such as Excel and SPSS
- · Quantitative measurement skills including knowledge of statistical tests and analytic procedures
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills, both written and verbal
- Strong problem solving skills, and strong ability to multi-task
- · Ability to work independently as well as in a multi-disciplinary team setting
- Self-directed, creative, innovative, and detail-oriented

## **Preferred Qualifications**

- Masters in Epidemiology or health-related field
- Minimum one year experience in a clinical study or in a clinical setting with direct patient interaction
- Minimum 3 years related experience in a research environment
- Minimum 2 years' experience in biostatistics