



Job Posting: Associate in Research, Seminary to Early Ministry Project

General Information

The Seminary to Early Ministry Study, a joint initiative between Duke Divinity School and the Duke Center for Health Policy and Inequalities Research invites applications for an Associate in Research, beginning in spring of 2020. The initial appointment will be made for one year, with an additional two years available upon satisfactory performance. There is possibility this position will continue past 3 years, pending funding from external sponsors. Start date is flexible between April and July of 2020.

The Seminary to Early Ministry Study is the first major longitudinal study examining divinity school education. Our aim is ambitious: To paint the most comprehensive picture of how divinity school students are formed throughout their training and into the early stages of their careers. Through this, we hope to spark informed conversations about divinity school education and to shape the future of ministry. The Seminary to Early Ministry Study is part of the larger Duke Clergy Health Initiative and is funded by a grant from The Duke Endowment. More information on the SEM Study and the Clergy Health Initiative can be found here: https://divinity.duke.edu/initiatives/clergy-health-initiative.

Responsibilities

The successful candidate will support all research aspects of the SEM Study, including instrument design, qualitative and/or quantitative analysis, writing manuscripts for peer-review, supervising students and data collection staff, and advancing the intellectual rigor of the study. This position will be supervised by David Eagle, Assistant Research Professor of Global Health. The successful candidate will be part of a larger team of Clergy Health Initiative staff.

Qualifications

Candidates must hold (or plan to defend by August 2020) a PhD in sociology or a related discipline. Candidates must have research interests in clergy, congregations, and/or theological education. Familiarity with the Methodist Church is considered an asset. Authorship on peer reviewed manuscripts is considered a major asset. The SEM Study is mixed methods and we welcome people with expertise in qualitative and/or quantitative methods. Experience with mixed methods research is considered a plus. Familiarity with R is preferred.

To Apply

Please send a cover letter outlining your qualifications for this position, a current CV, a research statement, an academic writing sample, and a list of three references to joshua.gaghan@duke.edu. You may address your materials to David Eagle, Assistant Research Professor in Global Health, Duke Global Health Institute, 310 Trent Drive, Durham, NC 27708. You may contact David for more information at david.eagle@duke.edu. Salary is commensurate with experience. This position is full time, eligible for Duke benefits, and includes a stipend for conference travel and professional development. Applications are being reviewed on an ongoing basis until a suitable candidate is found.