

## Postdoctoral Fellowship in Environmental Health Biostatistics

Applications are invited for a postdoctoral fellowship in Environmental Health (EH) Biostatistics in the Department of Biostatistics and Computational Biology at the University of Rochester (UR), funded by an NIEHS T32 training grant. The appointee will develop novel statistical methodology for projects related to EH, and/or be involved in statistical analyses for collaborative work with EH investigators, under co-mentorship of Biostatistics and EH faculty trainers. Methodological expertise among Biostatistics faculty trainers includes Bayesian MCMC methods, models for multiple outcomes, latent variable models, measurement error, missing data, causal inference, survival analysis, clustering, statistical genomics, molecular systems biology, and bioinformatics.

The specific area of the appointee's methodology development or analysis may be based on the trainee's interests and may be motivated by ongoing EH research at UR, such as studies of the effects of exposure to air pollution, metals, endocrine disruptors, pesticides, shale gas (fracking) or stress on pregnancy outcomes, reproduction, immune function, neurodevelopmental disorders, cognitive outcomes, or on gene expression pathways. The appointee will also receive further training in biostatistics and toxicology. Interested trainees will have the opportunity to gain experience in community engaged research related to environmental health problems.

Position qualifications and start date: Candidates should have a doctoral degree in (bio)statistics, epidemiology, computational biology, data science, environmental health or a related field, with training in statistics and programming, and excellent communication skills. In accordance with NIEHS regulations, trainees must be US citizens or non-citizen nationals of the US who have been lawfully admitted for permanent residency and must have a doctoral degree by the start date. The initial appointment is for one year with the possibility of renewal for a second year. Applications will be reviewed starting June 1. The candidate should plan to start mid to late summer or early fall, but a later start date will also be considered.

**Application instructions:** A cover letter describing research experience, a current CV, graduate transcript (can be unofficial) and contact information for three references should be sent to <u>Sally Thurston@urmc.rochester.edu</u> (please reference "NIEHS postdoctoral position" in the subject). For more information see <a href="https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/biostat/training-grant.aspx">https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/biostat/training-grant.aspx</a>.

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The Department of Biostatistics and Computational Biology currently includes 17 tenure-track and 4 research-track faculty and approximately 30 graduate students. Our goal is to prepare qualified predoctoral and postdoctoral trainees for careers that have a significant impact on the health-related research needs of the country within a diverse and inclusive environment.

Rochester is in the Finger Lakes region of western New York State, where the cost of living is reasonable and housing is affordable. The University has an active postdoctoral association that offers career development and networking opportunities, see <a href="https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/education/post-doctoral.aspx">https://www.urmc.rochester.edu/education/post-doctoral.aspx</a>.

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