

Masters and Doctoral candidates

Promoting engagement in physical activity among young people with juvenile idiopathic arthritis: Development and feasibility of JIActiv a social network-based intervention

Position offered

- Master or doctoral candidates are eligible
- The position is available as of May 2021, with possibility of renewal for another 1 to 2 years according to the progress of the work and availability of funding.
- Funding is available however the successful candidate will have to apply to the upcoming funding competitions offered by the FRQS and the CIHR for a training bursary.

The selected student will have to register as a graduate student in the Master's program

(<https://admission.umontreal.ca/programmes/maitrise-en-sciences-de-la-readaptation/>) or the PhD program

(<https://readaptation.umontreal.ca/etudes/sciences-de-la-readaptation/phd-sciences-de-la-readaptation/>) in Rehabilitation Sciences at the University of Montréal.

Project description

The current project is funded by the Canadian Initiative for Outcomes in Rheumatology Care and aims to develop JIActiv a social media-based physical activity program offered to young people (13 to 25 years) with juvenile idiopathic arthritis, as well as complete pilot feasibility testing on the potential effects of the intervention on self-efficacy, physical activity, social support, pain, fatigue and quality of life. The candidates will establish new collaborations with other members of the research team (Children's hospital of Eastern Ontario, SickKids Hospital in Toronto, the Constance-Lethbridge rehabilitation center and Sainte-Justine hospital).

Minimal qualification requirements

- Hold a university degree in rehabilitation (occupational therapy, physiotherapy), physical activity or kinesiology, psychology, or in a health-related field
- Have very good communication skills, verbal and written in English and in French
- Having an interest in rehabilitation interventions, physical activity and leisure
- Able to work independently and as part of an interdisciplinary team

Additional assets

- Have previous clinical research experience with young people and adults living with chronic disease, pain, physical or functional disability
- Have research experience in the following areas: physical activity, leisure or rehabilitation
- Have pertinent research experience: Literature reviews, qualitative analysis, statistical analysis, writing reports or scientific articles

Start date:

Although the start-date is flexible according to the selected candidate. The candidate would ideally begin to work on the project as of May 2021.

To submit your application

Interested candidates are invited to submit a cover letter, their CV and a copy of their most recent university transcripts to Sabrina Cavallo, OT, Ph.D., sabrina.cavallo@umontreal.ca.

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