

**Behavioral Health Innovation and Dissemination Center** 

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The Department of Psychology and the Behavioral Health Innovation and Dissemination Center (BHIDC) at the University of Utah are seeking a highly motivated postdoctoral research fellow with expertise in quantitative methods for clinical trials research and/or for basic dyadic research. The BHIDC is an interdisciplinary research and training outpatient psychotherapy clinic located on the University of Utah campus that is conducting cutting-edge clinical trials research in addition to providing low fee psychotherapy to adults, children, and couples across the state of Utah. The primary roles of the postdoctoral fellow will be to assist with data management and statistical analysis on on-going and upcoming clinical trials and basic science studies of romantic relationships as well as to assist with the preparation and submission of grant applications to extramural funding agencies.

The fellow will join a vibrant team of researchers, clinicians, and graduate trainees at the BHIDC. The fellow will work primarily with BHIDC Co-Director Dr. Brian Baucom with opportunities for co-mentorship from Dr. Feea Leifker (BHIDC Co-Director). Mentorship will include training in advanced quantitative methods, statistical consultation, and grantspersonship as well as guidance in professional development. The fellow will have opportunities to lead and assist with submission of extramural grants, peer-reviewed journal manuscripts, and book chapters as well as conference proceedings, presentations, and posters.

The postdoctoral fellow will have access to University wide resources, including access to the BHIDC clinic, which supports clinical work and clinical research, statistical mentorship, and grantspersonship mentorship. Clinical opportunities will be available if desired and include providing on-campus and community-based psychotherapy (preference for strong training in cognitive behavioral therapy) including individual, couple, and group treatments, supervision of graduate student trainees, and community training and outreach.

The ideal candidate would have a doctoral degree in clinical psychology, counseling psychology, social work, or medicine and have completed their APA-accredited predoctoral internship by the position start date; candidates with doctoral degrees in social or developmental psychology or in similar social or behavioral sciences will also be considered. Ideal candidates would have strong quantitative skills (e.g., knowledgeable in MLM, SEM, dyadic data analysis, longitudinal analysis), a publication record that would support applications for internal and external funding, and experience working on grant-funded projects and/or managing a lab or research project. The anticipated start date is Summer 2023, though this start date is negotiable. This position will be for one year, with additional years contingent on performance and continuation of funding. The University of Utah offers numerous opportunities for postdoctoral fellows including regular trainings, peer support, and various grant and scholarship opportunities (e.g., KL2 scholars program).

The BHIDC is committed to fostering an inclusive and equitable environment for faculty, staff, students, and our patients. We actively encourage applications from members of underrepresented populations.



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## **Job Description**

This breakdown is approximate and contingent with applicant's experience level.

75% Research Support

- Assist with coordination and management of on-going clinical trials of couple-based interventions for suicide prevention, PTSD, post-stroke rehabilitation, bulimia nervosa disorder, or sleep-apnea, a parenting intervention to reduce HIV risk in adolescent MSM, and/or basic science studies examining sleep and cognition in older adult couples, technology-facilitated assessment of risk for suicide, or digital phenotyping of mental health risk.
- Write or assist in writing internal and extramural research grants
- Assist in preparation and submission of manuscripts for publication
- Oversee data collection for independent or pilot research projects
- Write and manage IRB protocols

25% Statistical Support

- Perform statistical analyses as needed (MPlus, SPSS, R, Stata) to assist with manuscript preparation and grant submission
- Provide statistical consultation to University of Utah graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, faculty, and staff.

Candidates should apply by sending Drs. Baucom (brian.baucom@psych.utah.edu) and Leifker (feea.leifker@psych.utah.edu) a copy of their CV, a cover letter stating research and training interests, and a list of 3 professional references. Review of applications will begin February 1st and continue until a candidate is selected.

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