POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP in EDUCATION

Education Research Collaborative
TERC
Cambridge, MA

The Education Research Collaborative (ERC) at TERC, a not-for-profit research and development institution focusing on education in STEM fields, in Cambridge, MA, invites applications for a two-year residential research fellowship. The fellowship program is focused broadly on transformative research on teaching and learning that intentionally seeks to expand formal and/or informal educational opportunities for children, youth, and adults from historically underrepresented communities. We are particularly interested in work focused in the sciences, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) or transdisciplinary studies (e.g., across the sciences, mathematics, humanities, and arts).

The Program
Fellows will be chosen for a two-year residency beginning Fall 2017 and going through 2019. A major component of the program is to foster a scholarly learning community among Fellows, mentors, and the ERC/TERC community. Fellows will develop their research in a supportive environment, work directly with a mentor team, and share their emerging work with the ERC/TERC communities. They will also have opportunities to collaborate with ongoing projects and develop grant proposal and manuscript writing skills.

Stipend and Allowances
Fellows will receive an annual salary of $60,000 with full benefits, significant additional funds to cover travel, participation in professional conferences, and research-related expenses. Moving costs up to $4,000 will also be compensated.

Eligibility
• Applicants must be within three years of receiving their Ph.D or Ed.D in an education-related field broadly understood. The degree must be completed by September 2017.
• Applicants must be eligible to work in the United States without sponsorship.

Application Criteria: The application should include:
• a cover letter describing the applicant’s goals, experience, and fit with the fellowship
• a two-year plan of work, including the significance of the applicant’s prior and proposed research with respect to the education of children, youth, or adults from historically underrepresented communities
• a self-assessment of the applicant’s research competencies and areas where growth is sought
• CV
• two samples of academic writing as lead author
• three letters of reference (should be emailed separately by reference writers)

Selection Criteria: Applications will be judged according to the following criteria:
• demonstration of scholarly excellence
• potential significance of research contribution to the field
• quality of application and feasibility of plan of work
• complementarity of applicant’s research interests with ongoing work in ERC

Application Deadline: All application materials must be received electronically by 5 p.m. of the applicant’s local time no later than October 31, 2016. Email applications and questions to Jana_Borgen@terc.edu. See http://tinyurl.com/zp7o54x for more information.

We strongly encourage applications from recent Ph.D.s or Ed.D.s from communities historically underrepresented in STEM, and whose research links matters of cultural, linguistic and racial equity and social justice with learning and teaching. TERC is an affirmative action EEOC institution.