



Call for applications for a Job Position

Position Title: Research Assistant (02).

About Us: A preliminary research project on road traffic injuries at the **University of Buea** under the mentorship of the Sustainable Trauma Research, Education, and Mentorship Program (**STREaM**) set up to establish a cadre of graduate trainees with multidisciplinary expertise in injury prevention and control, quality improvement, and quantitative methods that can address limitations posed by the time-dependent, dynamic, and incomplete nature of trauma-related data. Road traffic injuries (RTIs) are a growing public health problem requiring urgent attention. Prehospital care can save lives and prevent disability among victims of RTIs, but this is only possible with a well-organized emergency medical service (EMS). Bystanders and other laypeople being willing to activate emergency response and to intervene at crash scenes can be an important adjunct to formal EMS. Thus, this project's overall objective is to capture bystanders' willingness to report and intervene as first lay responders for RTIs in crash-prone areas of the national road number 3 axes from Yaounde through Edea and Douala to Limbe and Idenau, in Cameroon. Hiring of collaborators is guided by the principles of merit, equity, gender equality and protection of minorities.

Job Description: This is a full-time position for a 3-month contract. The Research Assistant will be responsible for demonstrating a detailed understanding of the project objectives, activities, timeline metrics and project milestones. He/She will work in close collaboration with the Project Principal Investigators (PIs) to oversee implementation of the project and coordinate successful and timely completion of the milestones. He/She will participate in research activities including visiting communities for survey interviews, qualitative in-depth interviews and data management. He/She will interview drivers, interview travel agency staff, conduct house-to-house interviews using a questionnaire across communities along the national road number 3 in Cameroon and participate in data management and analysis. He/She will be expected to perform other duties and responsibilities as determined by the PIs. The position will be based in Buea with frequent travels along national road number 3 during working days (8am-5pm, Monday to Friday), and he/she may work in the field during weekends as the need arises.

Applicant Requirements: All applicants **MUST** fulfil the following conditions:

- Hold a Bachelor of Sciences or Master of Science degree in a health-related discipline from a reputable university.



- Be capable of working independently.
- Technologic competence on Excel, REDCap, email, Zoom, WhatsApp and ability to use Microsoft Word, Powerpoint preferred.
- Excellent communication skills with diverse groups (community members, drivers, transportation personnels, medical staff, study PIs) over email, WhatsApp, teleconferencing and face-to-face.
- Adaptable, reliable, punctual, and highly motivated.
- Speak fluent English, French, and Pidgin.
- Be available to start work immediately.
- Able to travel to Centre, Littoral and South West Regions in Cameroon to perform job duties.

How to Apply: The application package includes the following documents:

- A cover letter
- A photocopy of the highest university degree
- A curriculum vitae CV

Interested candidates should submit these documents as a single PDF filed by email **ONLY** to the following address: tanue.elvis@ubuea.cm at **17:59 (GMT+1)** on or before **April 26, 2024**. Any email application received after this deadline will not be considered. Applications will be reviewed and **ONLY** candidates who are shortlisted will be contacted and invited for an interview.

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