



Call for applications for a Job Position

Position Title: Research Assistant (04).

About Us: A clinical research project at the **University of Buea** in partnership with University of California Los Angeles funded by the *National Institutes of Health (NIH)* and the *Fogarty International Center (FIC)* is expanding their team. The ultimate mission of this partnership is to reduce the burden of injuries and bridge the gap of inequities to access to surgical services in African countries. New low-cost smartphone-based ultrasonography (SBU) probes may enable increased access to ultrasonography but rigorous evaluation of the educational efficacy, feasibility, and effectiveness of SBU training in improving diagnostic capacity in Cameroon is needed. There is a critical need to increase diagnostic capacity to facilitate timely identification of life-threatening injuries in Cameroon. Thus, this project's overall objective is to expand diagnostic capacity to facilitate timely diagnosis of injury and reduce injury burden. 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 1-year contract which is renewable during the 5-year period of the project depending on individual performance and availability of funds. The research assistant will be responsible for data collection and entry at the hospital sites. They will be responsible for data transfer and upload to the HIPAA compliant database for storage. He/She will work under the direct supervision and leadership of the project manager who reports to the project PIs. He/She will be responsible for collecting health-related data from eligible patients in collaboration with other hospital workers and keying the data in an electronic data platform. Working hours will be 08:00am-04:00pm, Monday to Friday, and he/she will be given a 1-hour lunch break. A evening/night shift position is also open at one of the sites. He/She will be expected to perform other duties and responsibilities as determined by the PIs and study team.

Applicant Requirements: All applicants MUST fulfil the following conditions:

- Be holders of at least a Bachelor Degree or any equivalent in the following health-related disciplines: Nursing and Midwifery, Medical Laboratory Sciences, Biomedical Sciences and Public Health and Hygiene.



- A working experience in a hospital, especially in the emergency department or surgical ward would be an added advantage.
- Be computer literate and proficient in using basic data entry software.
- Technologic competence on Box, Excel, REDCap, email, Zoom, WhatsApp and ability to use Microsoft Word, Powerpoint preferred.
- Be available to work in any of the following locations: Limbe, Pouma and Douala. The applicant will be expected to indicate his preferred location on the application letter.
- Excellent communication skills with diverse groups (patients, RA, medical students, physicians, study PIs) over email, WhatsApp, teleconferencing and in-person.
- Adaptable, reliable, punctual, highly motivated, and capable of working independently.
- Speak fluent English, French, and Pidgin.
- Be available to start work immediately.

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: contact@dsineafrikaub.org on or before close of business on **May 13, 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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