The Center on Race and Social Problems at the University of Pittsburgh is accepting applications for a Postdoctoral Fellowship to conduct research on school-based psychosocial phenomena as they relate to the academic achievement and mental health outcomes of youth of color. The fellowship will start on or before September 1, 2018, with some flexibility for candidates who are more immediately available. The appointment will be one year with the possibility of renewal for a second. Qualified candidates should have an empirical interest in both race and school-related issues, and a doctorate in a relevant field (education, social work, psychology, sociology) prior to starting the position.

The ideal applicant will have substantive knowledge of psychosocial phenomena related to race and youth development across social contexts, and a track record of publication in education, social work, psychology, or sociology journals. Applicants should have advanced methodological skills in either qualitative (observations and interviewing, ethnography, grounded and theory-driven analyses) or quantitative methods (HLM, SEM, growth modeling). Professional experiences with teaching, counseling, or youth support services are also highly valued.

The fellow will receive strong mentoring focused on producing high quality scholarship for academic publication and to inform evidence-based interventions in real time. The fellow will also be supported in developing an independent research program that produces grant funding, conference presentations, first-author peer-reviewed publications, and public dissemination of work.

To apply for this position, please submit (1) a cover letter describing your research goals and training including why your background and interests are a good match for this position; (2) a curriculum vitae; (3) two writing samples, and (4) three letters of reference directly to Dr. James Huguley at Huguley@pitt.edu. The review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. All applications should be submitted on or before December 15, 2017.

The Center on Race and Social Problems at the University of Pittsburgh is designed to increase racial justice in the United States by 1) supporting race-related research across disciplines, 2) mentoring and developing promising race scholars, and 3) disseminating evidence-based findings to academic and public audiences. The Center supports research teams across eight areas of foci, maintains a network of race-related researchers nationally, and produces the journal, Race and Social Problems. The Center’s 2010 “Race in America” conference was the largest conference on race ever held in the United States. For more information on the Center, please visit http://crsp.pitt.edu