

POSITION TITLE: Postdoctoral Fellow: School-Based Intervention Research
EMPLOYER: Positive Psychology Center, University of Pennsylvania
LOCATION (City, State): Philadelphia, PA
WEBSITE: <http://www.ppc.sas.upenn.edu/prpsum.htm>

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Positive Psychology Center (PPC) at the University of Pennsylvania anticipates hiring a research postdoctoral fellow for the 2011-2012 academic year. This position may be renewable for an additional year, depending on funding.

The postdoctoral fellow will work closely with Dr. Jane Gillham on ongoing research that focuses on the development and evaluation of positive psychology and resilience interventions, especially school-based interventions for adolescents. The fellow will also collaborate on research that examines personal and social factors that contribute to well-being and positive development during adolescence. Major responsibilities include: 1) analyzing data from existing projects and helping to write up findings for publication, 2) developing and implementing new projects, and 3) helping to train and supervise students and research assistants.

The position is funded through PPC. It will involve work at PPC and at Dr. Gillham's lab at Swarthmore College (about 30 minutes from PPC by car or train). In addition, some work will be conducted at schools in the Philadelphia area that are collaborating with us on these projects. There are opportunities to participate in seminars, colloquia, and other activities at Swarthmore College and at the University of Pennsylvania's Positive Psychology Center.

The position would start by early September 2011. It may be possible to start as early as June 2011.

The ideal candidate will have the following credentials, experience and skills.

- 1) A Ph.D. in psychology (or a closely related field).
- 2) Evidence of research productivity
- 3) Strong writing skills
- 4) Strong statistical knowledge and skills (e.g., HLM, SEM, and other methods of analyzing longitudinal data)
- 5) Interest and experience working with adolescents and in school settings

To apply: Please email or fax letters of interest and vita to Jane Gillham, Ph.D., at: jgillham@psych.upenn.edu or fax# 610-328-7814. Please also arrange for 3 reference letters to be sent to Dr. Gillham by email or fax.