Postdoctoral Researcher
Aging Studies Institute
Syracuse University

The Aging Studies Institute at Syracuse University invites applications for a postdoctoral researcher to work with a team examining trends and spatial patterns in the ways that educational attainment shapes mortality in the United States. The project, “Education, Geography, and U.S. Adult Mortality,” is funded by the NIA and led by Principal Investigator Jennifer Karas Montez at Syracuse University (with co-investigators across four universities). The postdoc will work with the project team, conduct analyses of mortality data at a Federal Research Data Center (located nearby at Cornell University), coauthor peer-reviewed publications, and present research at conferences.

The two-year postdoc will start in August 2018. The position will receive a salary commensurate with NIH guidelines (https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-17-003.html), subsidized health insurance, $2000 to offset moving expenses, and travel funds to present research. The position will have access to university resources and office space at the Aging Studies Institute (ASI). ASI is located in the heart of the Syracuse University campus and has a vibrant community of 45 faculty representing 17 academic departments.

Applicants must have a Ph.D. in demography, sociology, economics, public health, or related discipline at the starting date. Due to the funding source and the use of a Federal Research Data Center, applicants must be U.S. citizens/permanent residents at the time of appointment and be able to pass a federal background check. The applicant must be in residence for the two-year period. Preference will be given to applicants with strong quantitative skills, experience analyzing large datasets, and interests in the social determinants of U.S. mortality.

Application Instructions:
To submit the following required materials, go to:
1. Cover letter, including a statement about whether the applicant (a) is a U.S. citizen/permanent resident, and (b) will consent to a federal background check.
2. Curriculum vitae
3. Two-page research statement – please attach to other document in SU online system.
4. Two papers. Peer-reviewed publications are preferred. Dissertation chapters are acceptable, as long as they are under 20 pages – please attach to writing sample.
5. Three letters of reference submitted to the SU online system by the writers.

Primary consideration will be given to applications received by January 10, 2018, but all applications will be considered until the position is filled.