

Social Science - Post-Doctoral Fellow (Social Sciences Research Laboratory)

University of Saskatchewan

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Overview: The University of Saskatchewan is seeking a Post-Doctoral Fellow to work within its Social Sciences Research Laboratories (SSRL) on a one-year project. Under the direction of the Scientific Director of the Spatial Analysis Lab and the Principal Investigator of the Survey Lab, the Post-Doctoral Fellow will lead original research on public and stakeholder attitudes regarding Saskatchewan's nuclear sector, including its medical, energy and research applications. As a province with a rich history of contributing to nuclear innovation, this project will enhance the continued excellence in this increasingly important field.

Duties: Utilizing some or all of the SSRL's telephone survey, web survey, spatial mapping, and experimental decision-making capacities, the Post-Doctoral Fellow will design and implement research to gauge opinions, attitudes, and knowledge of the nuclear sector in Saskatchewan. The Post-Doctoral Fellow will author and coauthor research reports on behalf of the SSRL and will be strongly encouraged to use the data in his/her own research publications.

Qualifications: Candidates must possess a completed PhD in a social science discipline (geography, political science, economics, psychology, sociology) and must have strong quantitative analysis skills and an interest in studying public policy attitudes. A background in research methodologies would be a strong asset. While experience, knowledge, and training related to nuclear medicine, energy, and its impact on society are valuable, this expertise is not assumed and the successful Post-Doctoral Fellow will receive assistance and training in this area.

Application: The application process is open; submissions will be reviewed as received, with all applications received by Friday, February 15, 2013 to be considered. All applicants are asked to submit a letter of introduction outlining their research, public policy and methodological background and interests, a CV, and the names and contact information of three references. The position will begin in March 2012 and will run for one year. The Post-Doctoral Fellow will receive a salary of \$45,000 and some assistance with moving expenses.

More information about the University of Saskatchewan's Social Sciences Research Laboratories (SSRL) can be found at <http://ssrl.usask.ca>. For more information about the Post-Doctoral Fellow position, please contact either Scott Bell (Geography and Spatial Analysis Laboratory) at scott.bell@usask.ca or Loleen Berdahl (Political Studies and Survey Research Laboratory) at loleen.berdahl@usask.ca.

