POSTDOCTORAL POSITION IN
Behavioural Epidemiology Laboratory (75%) and Physical Activity Messaging Lab (25%)

Located with the Faculty of Kinesiology, Sport, and Recreation, the Behavioural Epidemiology Lab (BEL) includes a research coordinator, volunteers, and trainees at various levels that examine the relationships between physical activity, sedentary behaviour, and health, and the determinants and measurement of physical activity and sedentary behaviour among young people (see: http://www.ualberta.ca/~vlc.Carson). The Postdoctoral Fellow will primarily contribute to end-of-grant knowledge translation to academic audiences (i.e., manuscript preparation) related to a major research project that is evaluating a new provincial child care policy on physical activity and sedentary behaviour in Alberta. They will work closely with Dr. Carson and other members of the lab who are involved with the project.

Also located in the Faculty of Kinesiology, Sport, and Recreation, the Physical Activity Messaging Lab examines how best to promote physical activity from multiple perspectives in adult populations (see: https://sites.google.com/a/ualberta.ca/tanya-berry/home). The Postdoctoral Fellow will primarily contribute to a project examining how best to promote physical activity to women with heart disease. The purpose is to test the effects of affect-based messages about heart disease that target automatic, affective processes rather than more usual reasoned, self-regulatory based messages. The Postdoctoral Fellow will work closely with Dr. Berry and other members of the lab who are involved with the project.

MAIN DUTIES (75%)
- data cleaning and analyses of accelerometer, log book, questionnaire, cognitive development, height and weight, environment, and weather data
- prepare a series of manuscripts for publication

MAIN DUTIES (25%)
- co-supervise, with Dr. Berry, junior research assistants who are preparing study materials, recruiting participants and collecting data; in particular, work with research assistants in collecting and handling of accelerometry data
- the Postdoctoral fellow may be involved in primary data collection with women aged fifty years and older

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:
Minimum
- A PhD in a health-related field (e.g., kinesiology, physical education, public health, pediatrics, psychology)
- Experience with Actigraph Accelerometers related to data collection, data reduction, and analysis
- Strong background in quantitative research as well as competency in using quantitative analysis software (e.g., SAS, Stata, R)
- Self-directed with the ability to work independently while achieving specific goals within specific
timelines
• Excellent verbal and written communication skills
• Strong attention to detail, organizational, problem-solving, and decision making skills
• Working knowledge of typical office-related software such as Microsoft Office Suite.

Preferred
• Strong knowledge base in physical activity and sedentary behaviour

This full-time position, contingent on satisfactory performance, is available for a period of 1 year, with possibility of renewal for a 2nd year.

To Apply:
Interested applicants should forward their application consisting of a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and contact information for three references to:

Valerie Carson
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Closing date:
January, 31, 2019

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those individuals selected for an interview will be contacted.

The University of Alberta is committed to an equitable, diverse, and inclusive workforce. We welcome applications from all qualified persons. We welcome applications from all qualified persons. We encourage women; First Nations, Métis and Inuit; members of visible minority groups; persons with disabilities; persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity and expression; and all those who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas and the University to apply.