

The Arnold School of Public Health at the University of South Carolina is currently seeking PhD level applicants who are interested in pursuing a research-focused doctoral degree on the topic of chronic disease prevention and promoting health lifestyle behaviors (e.g., physical activity, sedentary, diet, screen use, etc.) and well-being of children and adolescents. PhD students will be integrally involved in the studies conducted by the Arnold Healthy Kids Initiative research group and the Research Center for Child Wellbeing. These include measurement, observational, and intervention studies that are funded by the National Institutes of Health and are designed to understand how best to promote physical health behaviors (e.g., physical activity, sleep, diet, screen time) and well-being among youth. Candidates will have the opportunity to be part of a vibrant team of faculty, staff, and students located within the Arnold School of Public Health. These positions are fully funded and include tuition and a stipend that is commensurate with the NIH rate.

Highlights of the position:

- Fully funded tuition and health insurance
- Stipend at the current NIH rate
- Joining a vibrant and growing team of 19 creative & fun researchers
- Mentorship from 1 primary and 4 secondary tenure track faculty with a history of NIH funding
- Over the last 4 years 66% of our PhD students have received NIH funding as a PI

Skills developed:

- Proficiency in basic and complex statistical modeling
- Process evaluation/implementation science
- Written and verbal communication skills
- Designing and implementing community-based interventions
- State-of-the-art behavioral assessments
- Grant writing
- Ability to work effectively both independently and with a team

To apply, please send a statement of interest and CV to one or all of the following Healthy Kids faculty members:

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