

**Clinical Addiction Research  
Postdoctoral Fellowship Opportunity  
for PhD Clinician Scientists  
Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences  
McGovern Medical School at The University of Texas Health Science  
Center at Houston (UTHealth)**

The Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, McGovern Medical School at UTHealth, is recruiting an outstanding Ph.D. clinician scientist for a Postdoctoral Fellowship in Clinical Addiction Research. The position is in the Emotions in Addiction Laboratory of Dr. Margaret Wardle, within the Center for Neurobehavioral Research on Addiction (CNRA). Our research spans from human laboratory studies to clinical trials of addiction treatments, with the role of emotional functioning in stimulant and opiate use disorders being of particular interest. The ideal candidate would be a research-oriented PhD in Clinical Psychology, although PhDs in related disciplines such as neuroscience would also be considered. Experience in clinical trials of pharmacological or behavioral treatments for addiction, human behavioral pharmacology, psychophysiological measures of emotion, NIH grant application policies and procedures, advanced statistics, and programming are desirable. Interest in a career in addiction research, excellent communication and interpersonal skills, demonstrated proficiency in scientific writing, and the desire to learn the necessary skills to transition into an independent faculty position are required. The training period would run for two years starting in September or October of 2017. A key focus for training will be the development of successful grant planning and writing skills for applications to NIH, NSF and private foundations.

Trainees will benefit from a rich learning environment. This includes collaborations with other addiction researchers in the CNRA (Dr. Joy Schmitz, Dr. Scott Lane, Dr. Jin Yoon, Dr. Michael Weaver), and recognized experts in psychiatric genetics, post-traumatic stress disorder, and inflammation and exercise both inside the department and across the larger Texas Medical Center. Supervised clinical opportunities are available for research-oriented applicants who are nevertheless seeking to accrue clinical hours for licensure.

UTHealth is an integral part of the Texas Medical Center (TMC), the largest medical center in the world, with a vibrant academic community and a plethora of outstanding collaborative and translational opportunities. Houston is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest US city and the most diverse US city, featuring continued growth and economic prosperity and a lower cost of living relative to other large metropolitan areas. Competitive salaries and benefits are available. To find out more information about this position or to apply, please e-mail a CV, a cover letter describing your background and research interests, and the names and contact information of three references to **Margaret Wardle, Ph.D.**, 1941 East Road, Houston, Texas 77054, e-mail: [Margaret.C.Wardle@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:Margaret.C.Wardle@uth.tmc.edu), phone 713-486-2726; <https://med.uth.edu/psychiatry/faculty/margaret-wardle/>. The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston is an EO/AA employer. M/F/D/V.