

**PhD Student Research Position in Public Administration**  
**Emphasis in Science and Technology Evaluation and Health Policy**

University of Illinois at Chicago

Starting Spring Semester 2010

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Faculty researchers at the University of Illinois at Chicago, Department of Public Administration are hiring a motivated PhD student for a fully funded research position. The student will work with faculty from the Survey Research lab (<http://www.srl.uic.edu/>) and Science, Technology, and Environment Policy lab (<http://www.uic.edu/orgs/stresearch/index.html>) on a multi-year project evaluating science outcomes and social and professional networks of scientists and medical doctors affiliated with the UIC Center for Clinical and Translational Sciences (CCTS). Research activities will include quantitative and qualitative approaches to understanding clinical and translational sciences activities and outcomes.

The applicant will gain experience in several social science research approaches including: survey research, analysis of administrative data, network analysis, and interviews and qualitative methods. The student will have the opportunity to work closely with faculty and staff to develop survey and interview instruments, work with large-scale administrative databases, and track science outcomes including publications, patents, grant funding, and collaborative activities. The student researcher, along with receiving top training towards the PhD in public administration, will apply social science research methods to evaluate individual and organizational outcomes of CCTS collaborations.

The position includes:

- Full tuition and fees reimbursement
- Benefits
- Monthly stipend

**PhD in Public Administration:** UIC is home to the only Ph.D. program in Public Administration in the state of Illinois. The program offers specializations in public management and organizations; financial management; science and technology policy, and survey methods. To learn more about the Ph.D. program visit the department website at [http://www.uic.edu/cuppa/pa/prospt\\_students/doctoral\\_program.html](http://www.uic.edu/cuppa/pa/prospt_students/doctoral_program.html) or contact Dr. Allyson Holbrook, Director of Graduate Studies, at [allyson@uic.edu](mailto:allyson@uic.edu) or 312-996-0471.

**CCTS Evaluation Project:** The CCTS Evaluation and Tracking program is focused on the utilization, quality, and productivity of CCTS activities. The Evaluation and Tracking team is led by Dr. Timothy Johnson, Professor of Public Administration and Director of the Survey Research Laboratory, and Dr. Eric W. Welch, Associate Professor of Public Administration and director of the Science, Technology, and Environment Policy Lab. The tracking and evaluation team is charged with the following activities: (1) Develop a program of tracking and evaluation for CCTS activities; (2) Construct data collection and analysis systems necessary to provide timely evaluation reporting to CCTS leadership; and (3) Integrate national evaluation data standards and requirements into local CCTS data collection systems. To learn more about the UIC CCTS, visit the center's website at <http://www.uic.edu/depts/mcam/CCTS/CCTS-home.html>

The CCTS, Survey Research Lab, and Science, Technology, and Environment Policy lab are located on the campus of the University of Illinois at Chicago, a vibrant, urban campus at the heart of Chicago.

Requirements

- \*Admission to the UIC Public Administration program
- \*Basic social science research skills or strong motivation to learn
- \*Strong writing skills
- \*Master's degree in public administration, public policy, science and technology policy, history of science, or other social science discipline is preferable. However, we welcome applicants with a master's degree in a natural science or engineering discipline who have a strong interest in science policy

Interested candidates are encouraged to send their CV, along with a letter stating their interest to: Mary K. Feeney, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Public Administration, University of Illinois at Chicago, 412 S. Peoria St M/C 278, Chicago, IL 60607. Email: [mkfeeney@uic.edu](mailto:mkfeeney@uic.edu); fax (312) 996-8804. Informal enquiries can also be addressed to the same email address.

Applications to the UIC Public Administration PhD program are due **November 1, 2009**.

We welcome applications from domestic and international students. It is the policy of the University of Illinois at Chicago not to engage in discrimination or harassment against any person because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, unfavorable discharge from the military, or status as a disabled veteran or a veteran of the Vietnam era and to comply with all federal and state nondiscrimination, equal opportunity, and affirmative action laws, orders and regulations.