PhD Opportunity in Social Psych – Texas Tech University

We recently received positive news that we have extra PhD positions and are looking for any undergraduate or masters students who are looking for a PhD in social psychology. While this is very late in the game, please forward to any promising undergraduate or masters students that might be interested in obtaining a PhD in social psychology. Applications need to be submitted ASAP.

The Social Psychology doctoral program at Texas Tech University, www.depts.ttu.edu/psy/social, is seeking graduate students for the Fall of 2019, apply here: www.depts.ttu.edu/psy/apply.php. Descriptions about the research being conducted by the social psychology faculty at Texas Tech University are provided below, we encourage anyone interested in our work to apply. Questions regarding program admission requirements or application procedures should be directed to me, our Social Area Experimental Program Coordinator, zachary.hohman@ttu.edu.

Research in Dr. Amelia Talley's Stigma, Health, and Applied Research Center (www.depts.ttu.edu/psy/sharc/index.php), or SHARC lab, is generally concerned with examining how threats to one's self-concept and stigmatization influence self-regulation strategies and, in turn, the affective and physical health of marginalized group members. This work stems from a process-orientated perspective that considers how peer groups, family environment, and societal factors influence the course and resolution of marginalized identity explorations. Generally, researchers involved in our laboratory seek to "know more" about social phenomena relevant for social-emotional development, self-knowledge, and health disparities.

Students in Dr. Jessica Alquist's (jessica.alquist@ttu.edu; www.depts.ttu.edu/psy/people/jalquist) lab primarily conduct research on self-control, including situational predictors of successful self-control, potential mechanisms for the limited resource model of self-control, and the association between self-control and health. Dr. Alquist also conducts research on the effects of beliefs about agency on individuals' thoughts and behaviors. She is looking for a graduate student with prior research experience who plans to conduct research on self-control or beliefs about agency.

Research in Dr. Molly Ireland's Language and Social Interaction Lab (www.depts.ttu.edu/psy/people/mireland, molly.ireland@ttu.edu) uses computerized text analysis of natural language to understand, predict, and change aspects of social cognition and behavior, including risky and protective health behavior, person perception, reading and writing fiction, cultural frame switching, and attitudes. The lab takes a social-personality approach to each line of research. Ideal applicants will have research experience in social or personality psychology and additional training in complementary fields, such as computer science, philosophy, linguistics, health sciences, or literature.
Dr. Zachary Hohman's (zachary.hohman@ttu.edu) Social Identity Theory and Health Lab (SITH lab, www.depts.ttu.edu/psy/sith), conducts research on: Influence processes within and between groups; the motivational role played by self-uncertainty in group behavior, intergroup relations, and self-conception; the structure of self-conception and identity in group and intergroup contexts; the role that group processes and intergroup relations play in attitudes and persuasion; physiological and biological processes related to group dynamics and attitude change; applied social and health psychology.

Dr. Lindsay Greenlee's (Lindsay.Greenlee@ttu.edu) research focuses in two main areas: gender role stereotyping and the use of online media. Most recently, her research has focused on examining the processing of gender role stereotype information and how this affects our perception of other people. In addition to research on gender, Dr. Greenlee has an interest in examining the use of social influence tactics online.

Thank you for your time,
Zachary P. Hohman