

Vacancy Announcement

Research Assistant- position: 12

The BRAC James P Grant School of Public Health (BRAC JPGSPH) at BRAC University was established in 2004 as an educational and research institution focusing on the integral areas of teaching, research, and services. The goal of the School is not only to impart knowledge but also to act as a center of excellence in knowledge creation through research and training that connects with practice. Centre for Non-communicable Diseases and Nutrition (CNDN), and Centre of Excellence for Science of Implementation and Scale-up (CoE-SISU).

BRAC James P Grant School of Public health, BRAC University in partnership with Enteric and Respiratory Infections Department, Infectious Diseases Division at International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (icddr,b) and University of Montreal School of Public Health, Canada implemented a study titled “**Sustainable, healthy cities: a cluster randomized controlled trial for Aedes control in Bangladesh (Dengue cRCT)**”. The objective of the study are to a) Measure the impact of the intervention on the risk of primary dengue infections (seroconversion) using serological indicators (IgG) in participating children; b) Measure the impact of the intervention on human exposure to adult female Aedes in participating households; c) Measure the impact of the intervention on self-reported dengue in participating households; d) Analyze the implementation process, fidelity, and social acceptability of the community mobilization intervention; e) Examine if and how the intervention empowered the targeted communities and which elements of the intervention can be sustained over time; and f) Identify the interactions between the context, the mechanism, and the effect of the intervention through conducting a realist evaluation. This study aims to reduce the risk of infection by dengue transmission among children through locally designed interventions focused on community mobilization in different Dhaka communities. The centre will recruit Research Assistants for community-based data collection, community sensitization, and qualitative study of its multifaceted research activities. Details of the position are stated below:

Job Responsibilities

- Contribute to data collection tool development during training
- Facilitate and conduct quantitative data collection
- Organize and conduct community sensitization meetings
- Ensure the availability and readiness of the logistics for each team member.
- Maintain communication with community stakeholders prior to the activities and throughout the study.
- Arrange community meetings and invite community members to the meeting.
- Note-taking and transcribing them.
- Work closely with the community throughout the intervention period to keep all the activities on track.
- Conduct qualitative studies (in-depth interviews, FGDs, observations, participatory appraisal) and transcribe them.

- Assist in organizing the dissemination events, e.g. contacting the participants of the dissemination event
- Provide any other additional research support
- Maintain devices used for data collection

Requirement

- Bachelor's degree from any reputed university
- At least 2 years of extensive knowledge and experience in quantitative and qualitative data collection and community sensitization programs in Bangladesh
- Good writing and communication skills both in Bengali and English
- Interested to work anywhere in Bangladesh

Salary: BDT. 30,000 per month as gross with all-inclusive. Commensurate with experience and qualifications.

Contract Duration: Initial duration will be 3 months. Contract will be extended later based on the performance

How to apply: All interested candidates are advised to submit the application by sending their CV to recruitment.sph@bracu.ac.bd by **30 November 2024**. Please mention **Application for Research Assistant, Dengue cRCT** in the subject line of your email.

Only short-listed candidates will be invited for the interview.

All tests and interviews will be held in Dhaka (No TA/DA will be provided to attend the interview).

The Organization reserves the right to make an appointment at a grade lower than that advertised.