JOB Description: Post-doctoral Research Associate

The Paul M. Schyve, MD Center for Bioethics (Schyve Center) at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry is offering a two-year Postdoctoral Associate position for PhDs in a range of fields. The 2022-2024 Postdoctoral Associate position is offered in collaboration with the University of Rochester Medical Center’s Office of Equity and Inclusion, with the Department of Health Humanities & Bioethics in the School of Medicine and the Department of History on the main campus.

The Fellowship is directed to candidates in the history of medicine and bioethics, with a focus on the history of race and medicine. This position is a full-time post-doctoral position. The successful candidate will report to the Director of the Schyve Center and will be mentored by Mical Raz, the Charles E. and Dale L. Phelps Professor in Public Policy and Health.

The successful candidate will have experience working on questions of 19th or 20th century racism and medicine and be well-equipped to analyze the ethical dimensions of their findings. The Postdoctoral Associate will have mentorship opportunities available from historians and bioethicists on faculty as they work on this project.

The post-doctoral responsibilities include leading and supervising a research project on the local, institutional history of racism at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry and Strong Memorial Hospital. The Postdoctoral Associate will lead a research team including graduate students and undergraduate researchers who will examine local archives, practices and the impact of these legacies on current practices at the medical school and beyond. Local archives include materials at the University and the Rochester Medical Museum and Archives. The expectation is the Postdoctoral Associate will lead and curate an exhibition on the topic of the legacy of racism in our institution by the end of their first year in residence.

The appointee will divide their time working on their own independent research project, pursuing the proposed project on the legacies of institutional history and racism, and will have a modest commitment of interprofessional teaching and advising, in the form of noon conferences (interdisciplinary bioethics conference), medical student selectives and electives, and in educating the broader community on the history of its local institutions. The appointee will participate and contribute to academic events including a local history of medicine lecture series (Corner Society) and will be invited to participate in the academic life on campus, including Department of Health Humanities and Department of History events.

Start date: July 1, 2022 or as soon as filled.

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Qualifications: Terminal degree with excellent oral and written communication skills, project management skills, and demonstrated ability to work with archival materials. The successful candidate is expected to have experience in collaborative projects.

Salary: Salary will be $60,000 for 100% time with University benefits for post-docs.

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Application:
To assure full consideration, applicants should send a cover letter explaining background and interest in working with the Schyve Center. Please also include a c.v., three references with contact information, and a sample research paper. Applications due by February 21, 2022. Send by email or mail to:

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