Position for a post-doctoral appointment

We offer:
- A post-doctoral appointment of 1 year (start Sept 1st 2020, end Sept 30th 2021) to support the Research Master of Gerontological Sciences of the Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Faculty of Medicine and Pharmacy, Campus Jette
- We propose a full-time appointment, but a part-time appointment is negotiable.
- Up-to-date research infrastructure and technical training
- Integration in the interdisciplinary research team of the Gerontology department & Frailty in Ageing research group (14 senior, 4 postdoc and 17 pre-doc researchers, and 4 research assistants)
- Strong research consortium with an international network
- Possibility to actively participate in the research projects of the Frailty in Ageing Research group (https://fria.research.vub.be/)

Your profile:
- You hold (or will hold by Sept 2020) a PhD degree in a domain relevant for this position (e.g. Bio-Medical Sciences, Medicine, Gerontology, Physiotherapy, Movement Sciences, Psychology, Social Sciences, …)
- You have excellent knowledge of written/spoken English
- You have good academic writing skills
- You have experience in conducting systematic literature reviews
- You have experience in writing research applications
- You work securely and independently
- You have strong communicative skills and able to work in a team
- You are highly motivated to contribute to the Research Master program (see program description in attach)
- You should be able to give interactive teaching sessions on systematic literature review, preparing research protocols and writing research applications

Interested?
Send by Monday July 31st 2020 your application together with a complete CV and motivation letter to Professor Ivan Bautmans; ivan.bautmans@vub.be. Qualified candidates will be invited for an interview.
Summary of the program

The Research Master in Gerontological Sciences offers a specific training trajectory to those excellent students who want to build up an academic career in the field of Gerontology. The program also provides an ideal preparation for starting a PhD in the domain of Gerontology.

The courses in the programme can be divided into two themes: gerontology and research methodology. The former focuses on the biological, biomedical, psychological and social aspects of gerontology, making the student an expert in the field. The latter offers the student skills to do research in the field of gerontology.

The foundations will be discussed in a package of course units that provides a thorough Bio-Psycho-social concept of Gerontological Sciences. Students will identify a topic at the end of the first semester of the first year, on which substantive work will continue under the supervision of a promoter through the master curriculum. Although this might implicate a certain degree of ‘specialisation’ in a certain domain of the Gerontological Sciences, most – if not all – research projects in which the students will be involved have a typical interdisciplinary character.

During the Research Master of Gerontological Sciences, the students will write two articles (one review article in the first year and one original research article in the second year) and submit them for publication in an international peer-reviewed journal. In addition, they will have to deliver a research proposal for a doctoral fellowship at the end of the first semester of the second year, which may be submitted in one of the known channels (FWO doctoral fellowship, SBO doctoral grant ...).

For more information:


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