

## Postdoctoral Research Fellowship in Health Policy

Duration:	Two years
Stipend:	\$40,000 per year
Eligibility:	Completion of a doctoral degree within the past three years
Deadline for applications:	8 March 2018

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### Description:

The Department of Sociology at the University of New Brunswick (UNB) invites applications for a unique post-doctoral fellowship position in the area of evidence-based research to affect health policy. The successful applicant will work with Dr. Neeru Gupta, Health Research Chair in Diabetes, at the UNB Fredericton campus. The ideal candidate is an independent, problem-oriented thinker with a strong background in quantitative methods in sociological research. A special emphasis will be finding policy-actionable solutions to societal challenges of the rising burden of chronic physical and mental health conditions that will have tangible impact to improve the health of the population and sustainability of healthcare services in New Brunswick, the Atlantic region and across Canada.

### Duties and Responsibilities:

- Leading solutions-focused, multidisciplinary and collaborative approaches to health policy research.
- Quantitative analysis using population and administrative health and social data.
- Engaging and interacting with a range of health stakeholders across the province, including Government, clinicians and regional health authorities.
- Leading the dissemination of novel findings through scientific articles, presentations and research proposals.

### Qualifications:

- Ph.D. in Sociology, Demography, Epidemiology, Applied Social Statistics, or a related field.
- Experience and success in working with large-scale complex datasets. Interest in working with linked administrative or survey data through the New Brunswick Institute for Research, Data and Training (NB-IRDT) and/or the New Brunswick Research Data Centre (RDC) would be an asset.
- Excellent written and spoken communication skills in English, as illustrated by a strong publication/presentation record.
- Experience in public health systems and working with high level Government officials is an asset.

### Application Procedures:

To apply for this position, contact Dr. Neeru Gupta at [ngupta@unb.ca](mailto:ngupta@unb.ca) before 4:00pm (Atlantic Standard Time) on 8 March 2018. Please include in your email:

- a cover letter
- a current curriculum vitae (maximum 5 pages)
- a research proposal aimed at addressing the focus of this fellowship award (maximum 5 pages)
- two letters of reference (at least one of which must be written by someone external to UNB).

### Additional Information:

- Funding for the Fellowship is provided through the Purdy Crawford/Stephen Jarislowky Postdoctoral Fellowship in Health Policy. A complete application is due to UNB's Office of Research Services by 19 March 2018. For more information on this funding opportunity, please visit: [www.unb.ca/research/assets/documents/vpr/postdoc/purdyc\\_stephenj\\_pdf\\_in\\_healthpolicy.pdf](http://www.unb.ca/research/assets/documents/vpr/postdoc/purdyc_stephenj_pdf_in_healthpolicy.pdf).
- Additional resources and opportunities for professional development may be made available through the Health Research Chair in Diabetes.
- This notice of opportunity is effective immediately with anticipated start date no later than 1 September 2018.
- All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Applicants should indicate current citizenship status.

Application packages are to be submitted to:

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