

**HIRING: POSITION FOR THE JUVENILE JUSTICE RESEARCH AND REFORM LAB
Postdoctoral Fellow or Research Scientist**

Position start date: May or June 2023

Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, Drexel University, Philadelphia

The Juvenile Justice Research and Reform (JJR&R) Lab in the Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences at Drexel University is hiring an individual to fulfill a full-time **Postdoctoral Fellow or Research Scientist** role. This is anticipated to be a **2-year position** with the possibility to extend contingent upon fit and funding.

Job Description. The successful candidate will have a primary role in co-leading a large-scale randomized controlled trial (RCT) of a major School District of Philadelphia project and will:

- Help lead the research, data, and project administration components of a federal grant from the National Institute of Justice to implement and evaluate the Positive School Safety Program (PSSP)—a year-long peer-to-peer coaching program to prevent school violence and improve school safety.
- Work with the project team to address research, design, and analysis challenges and opportunities associated with conducting an RCT in real-life settings.
- Lead and co-facilitate trainings, regular meetings with internal and external partners, and bi-weekly consultation sessions for PSSP coaches.
- Work closely with several School District of Philadelphia offices to implement and enhance the PSSP Program, facilitate data transfer, and interpret variables and findings.
- Manage project databases to structure, clean, and prepare data for analyses, conduct basic analyses, and collaborate with the lab's statistician for high-level analyses.
- Collaborate with Principal Investigator to use project findings to generate policy and practice recommendations; disseminate findings; and generate reform initiatives to improve school safety and dismantle the school-to-prison pipeline.
- Author/co-author publications and presentations and facilitate trainings for academic audiences, policy makers, practitioners, and the public.
- Serve as a core member of the JJR&R Lab and collaborate with several other lab project teams, which include faculty, staff, graduate students, and undergraduate research assistants.

Professional Development Opportunities. In this position, the successful candidate will:

- Strengthen program implementation and evaluation skills by conducting a real-world RCT.
- Deepen knowledge and broaden experience with juvenile justice research, policy, and practice.
- Enhance skills in data management and statistical analyses via mentorship, consultation, and didactic opportunities.
- Enhance writing and public speaking skills via publications and presentations designed for academic, practitioner, and public audiences.
- Expand professional network by working with community agencies, organizations, and academic collaborators.
- Gain leadership and supervisory experience as a core member of the JJR&R Lab team.
- Potentially obtain supervised clinical hours in support of licensure as a psychologist, if needed.

Qualifications. The JJR&R Lab seeks a candidate with a doctoral or master's degree in psychology, education, public health, criminology, public policy, or a related discipline. The ideal candidate will have excellent interpersonal skills to successfully collaborate with school district personnel and lab colleagues, as well as strong research and organizational skills to successfully co-lead key components of this large project. **Appointment will be made as a Postdoctoral Fellow or Research Scientist depending on qualifications, experience, and the successful candidate's professional goals.**

Salary. \$52,000 plus benefits.

Funding Sources. Funding for this position comes from a grant from the National Institute of Justice.

How to Apply. Please apply online at <https://careers.drexel.edu/en-us/job/500405/postdoctoral-fellow-or-research-scientist> and, **also, email your letter of interest and CV/resume** to Dr. Naomi Goldstein, Director of the Juvenile Justice Research and Reform Lab and Professor of Psychological and Brain Sciences at: neg23@drexel.edu. Specify in the subject line, "2023 Application for NIJ School Safety Project." **Application review will begin immediately and will continue until position is filled.**