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Organization Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

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A complete application consists of:

- An application
- Transcripts – [Click here for detailed information about acceptable transcripts](#)
- A current resume/CV, including academic history, employment history, relevant experiences, and publication list
- One educational or professional recommendation. Your application will be considered incomplete, and will not be reviewed until one recommendation is submitted.

All documents must be in English or include an official English translation.

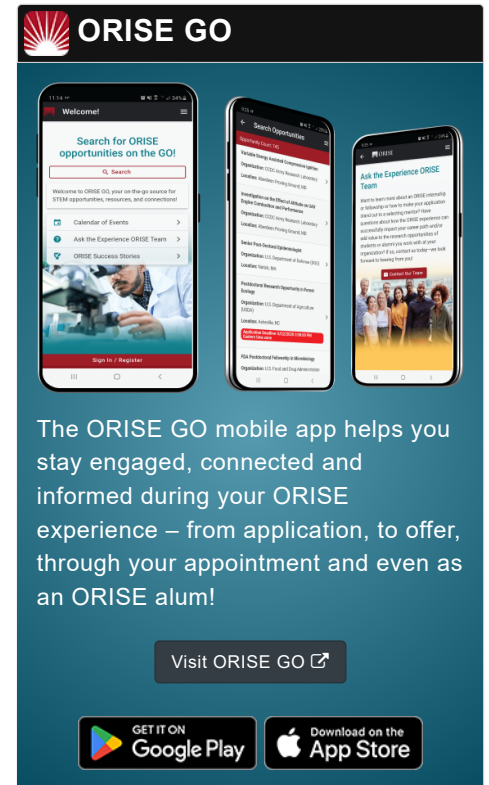
Application Deadline 6/20/2022 3:00:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

Description ***Applications will be reviewed on a rolling-basis.**

CDC Office and Location: A research opportunity is available in the Division of Foodborne, Waterborne, and Environmental Diseases (DFWED) in the National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID) at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, Georgia.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is one of the major operation components of the Department of Health and Human Services. CDC works to protect America from health, safety and security threats, both foreign and in the U.S. Whether diseases start at home or abroad, are chronic or acute, curable or preventable, human error or deliberate attack, CDC fights disease and supports communities and citizens to do the same.

Research Project: CDC's Outbreak Response and Prevention Branch (ORPB) collaborates with epidemiologists, laboratorians, and other public health officials who investigate clusters of foodborne, waterborne, zoonotic, and other enteric (gastrointestinal) illnesses in the United States. The Communications Activity in ORPB communicates risk to the public and other stakeholders during ongoing outbreaks and creates educational materials to prevent enteric illnesses. For more information about ORPB, visit <https://www.cdc.gov/ncezid/dfwed/orpb/index.html>. This project offers an opportunity to participate as part of a multi-disciplinary team focusing on outbreak response and prevention activities, a primary component of CDC's mission.



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ORPB has a goal to expand and enhance foodborne outbreak messaging to equitably reach all people who might be affected by an outbreak. One way the branch aims to do this is by expanding the reach of outbreak messaging to Spanish-speaking audiences. ORPB is seeking a fellow who is fluent in both Spanish and English. There will be opportunities to research innovative ways to reach different populations and more equitably communicate risk during enteric disease outbreaks. There will be opportunities to learn from experienced communicators how to quickly translate science into public-facing webpages that accurately communicates risk. There will also be opportunities to learn how to develop educational infographics, social media messaging, and other key communication materials. In addition, there will be opportunities to attend branch and division meetings, educational seminars, and other activities as schedules allow.

For more information about ORPB, visit
<https://www.cdc.gov/ncezid/dfwed/orpb/index.html>.

Learning Objectives: Under the guidance of a mentor, the participant will have opportunities to enhance quantitative and qualitative reasoning, critical thinking and problem solving, communication, and teamwork skills during this fellowship.

Mentor(s): The mentor for this opportunity is Cassie Belche (ntw8@cdc.gov). If you have questions about the nature of the research please contact the mentor(s).

Anticipated Appointment Start Date: May 16, 2022. Start date is flexible and will depend on a variety of factors.

Appointment Length: The appointment will initially be for one year, but may be renewed upon recommendation of CDC and is contingent on the availability of funds.

Level of Participation: The appointment is full-time.

Participant Stipend: The participant will receive a monthly stipend commensurate with educational level and experience.

Citizenship Requirements: This opportunity is available to U.S. citizens, Lawful Permanent Residents (LPR), and foreign nationals. Non-U.S. citizen applicants should refer to the [Guidelines for Non-U.S. Citizens Details page](#) of the program website for information about the valid immigration statuses that are acceptable for program participation.

ORISE Information: This program, administered by ORAU through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE), was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and CDC. Participants do not become employees of CDC, DOE or the program administrator, and there are no

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employment-related benefits. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. Health insurance can be obtained through ORISE.

The successful applicant(s) will be required to comply with Environmental, Safety and Health (ES&H) requirements of the hosting facility, including but not limited to, COVID-19 requirements (e.g. facial covering, physical distancing, testing, vaccination).

Questions: Please visit our [Program Website](#). After reading, if you have additional questions about the application process please email ORISE.CDC.NCEZID@orau.org and include the reference code for this opportunity.

Qualifications

The qualified candidate should have received a master's degree in one of the relevant fields, or be currently pursuing the degree with completion by the appointment start date. Degree must have been received within five years of the appointment start date.

Preferred skills:

- Fluency in written and spoken Spanish language
- Prior experience as a translator or experience developing communication products or other documents in Spanish
- Strong background in health communications
- Excellent skills for preparing written documents and giving oral presentations
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office applications including Word, Excel, and PowerPoint

Eligibility Requirements

- **Degree:** Master's Degree received within the last 60 months or currently pursuing.
- **Academic Level(s):** Post-Master's.
- **Discipline(s):**
 - **Communications and Graphics Design** (6 👁)
 - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** (6 👁)
 - **Other Non-Science & Engineering** (2 👁)
 - **Social and Behavioral Sciences** (29 👁)