



VPRP-VIOLENCE PREVENTION RESEARCH PROGRAM  
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**POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP IN VIOLENCE PREVENTION RESEARCH**  
**Violence Prevention Research Program**  
**California Firearm Violence Research Center**  
**University of California, Davis**

The Violence Prevention Research Program (VPRP) and the California Firearm Violence Research Center, both at the University of California, Davis, invite applications for two or more outstanding investigators to undertake an intensive two-year postdoctoral program of mentored, applied research on the causes, consequences, and prevention of violence and innovations in community and public safety. Awards will be on a competitive basis to individuals who have completed a doctoral degree program in public health, epidemiology, sociology, public policy, criminology, economics, statistics, community development, or a related field (PhD, DrPH, MD, or equivalent) and have documented health equity and justice-focused research expertise.

Founded more than 30 years ago, VPRP helped develop the public health approach to violence prevention; its work laid the foundation for the nation's first publicly-funded center for firearm violence research. Our continuing mission is to develop and disseminate the scientific evidence on which informed violence prevention policy and practice are based. VPRP is a multidisciplinary, collaborative program with multiple independent investigators. At any given time, our team is conducting and planning a large array of projects relating to individual, social, and structural factors associated with violence and violence inequities across the life course, the effectiveness of violence prevention policies and programs, criminal justice decision-making, and risk prediction. Our status as a reliable source for rigorous research and our location in Sacramento increase our ability to translate findings into practice and public policy.

Fellows will collaborate in ongoing research and study design and lead studies and grant proposals of their own, all with mentoring by core VPRP and Center investigators. The content of each fellowship will reflect existing areas of strength and the future-focus of the field but will be tailored to meet the goals and objectives of the fellow. UC Davis provides a robust program of courses, seminars, and other learning and teaching opportunities for postdoctoral scholars. Independent investigators are actively involved in developing public policy on violence and its prevention, and fellows will be expected to participate in this important translational work.

We are accepting applications for appointments beginning in the summer or fall of 2022. Fellows will receive a competitive full-time postdoctoral scholar salary and benefits; funds for research project expenses and travel to a scientific meeting are available. To apply, please submit: 1) a cover letter describing your goals and qualifications for the fellowship, specific research interests, and career plans; 2) a current CV; 3) contact information for three references; and 4) copies of two published papers or other recent examples of your scholarly work. Materials should be sent by email to Audra Johnson-Meinerz, Research Administrator, at [aljohanson@ucdavis.edu](mailto:aljohanson@ucdavis.edu). Please use the subject line "Fellowship Application".

**For initial review and consideration,  
Applications are due by 5:00 PM PST on March 11, 2022**

Applications received after the due date may be considered until position(s) is/are filled.

*The University of California, Davis is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer with a strong institutional commitment to the achievement of diversity among its faculty, staff, and students. Candidates who can contribute to that goal are encouraged to apply and to identify their strengths and experiences in this area.*