

Announcement of Doctoral Student Assistantship



Dr. Weiyun Chen, Associate Professor in the School of Kinesiology, and the Director of the Physical Activity and Health Laboratory at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, **is currently seeking a motivated Doctoral Student to work on research related to physical activity and health and psychological well-being promotion for [Fall 2020!](#)**

Dr. Chen's research focuses on developing and testing cognitively stimulating, socially engaged, and technology-integrated physical activity intervention strategies to enhance health and psychological well-beings in school-aged children and adults. Dr. Chen has delivered over 100 presentations at international and national conferences. She published 57 peer-reviewed research articles. She served as the chair for American Educational Research Association-Special Interest Group (AERA SIG) and National Association for Sports and Physical Education-Curriculum and Instruction (NASPE C & I) Academy. Dr. Chen is an associate editor for *Research Quarterly for Exercise and Sport* and academic editor for *Medicine*.

- The selected student will begin the PhD program in **Fall 2020** and will be provided with full funding for tuition, a living stipend and health care (student/family) as a Graduate Student Instructor (GSI). The GSI assistantship will cover four years of doctoral study.
- The selected student will have the unique opportunity to work on projects related to: (a) examining the technology-enhanced "Active Schools, Parents, and Kids" intervention on physical activity, physical fitness, and executive functions, and psychological well-beings in school-aged children; (b) examining the effects of the technology-enhanced "Active Mind and Body" intervention on functional fitness, executive functions, and psychological well-beings in older adults; (c) examining the effects of different types of physical activities on mental health and psychological well-beings among college students.
- Applicants should have a Master's and Bachelor's degree in Kinesiology, Physical Education Pedagogy, Education, Exercise Science, Nutrition, Public Health, Psychology, Sociology, or other health-related field. Previous research experience, publications, and a high GPA from previous academic work are highly desirable.
- For best consideration, interested students should immediately send a letter of interest, current curriculum vitae, writing sample, and contact information for three references to Dr. Chen at chenwy@umich.edu. Please include in the subject line of your e-mail submissions: "Ph.D. Position: Physical Activity and Health".
- For more information on applying to the School of Kinesiology, please contact Charlene Ruloff at cruloff@umich.edu. Information about the Kinesiology Ph.D. program can be found at: <http://www.kines.umich.edu/graduate-admissions>, which includes a video describing the doctoral program. Information about Dr. Chen's research can be found at <https://www.kines.umich.edu/directory/weiyun-chen>