



## Joint Doctoral Program in Clinical Psychology

### Peer Interventionist (Part-time)

Under the direction of the Principal Investigator (PI; Dr. Aaron Blashill) and Co-Investigator (Dr. Tiffany Brown), the peer interventionist (**sexual minority men between 18 and 35 years**) will be primarily involved in a large NIH-funded research project on eating disorders and sexual orientation health disparities, the ***Pride Body Project***. Specifically, this research project focuses on testing the efficacy of a group-based, peer co-led, eating disorder prevention program for young sexual minority men.

*The peer interventionist will be responsible for but not limited to:*

#### **Research Activities:**

The peer interventionists will co-lead brief, group-based eating disorder prevention programs tailored for young sexual minority men. The peer interventionists will receive substantial structured training in the prevention programs, in addition to ongoing weekly clinical supervision by the PI and Co-Investigators. The peer interventionists will also work closely with clinical interventionists on the study.

The position will be part-time (hourly) and hours will be variable from week to week; a typical week will likely include 2-3 hours.

#### **Knowledge and Abilities:**

- Knowledge of sexual-orientation health disparities in adolescents and young adults
- Knowledge of eating pathology/body image literature
- Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing to both groups and individuals
- Ability to work independently and within a team
- Ability to establish and maintain cooperative working relationships and interact effectively with young adults, coworkers, research teams, and administrative staff
- Ability to understand and follow posted work rules and procedures
- Ability to be well organized, meet deadlines, display detail orientation, and possess good judgment and common sense
- Ability to work with vulnerable and marginalized populations, including sexual minority individuals

#### **Experience and Education:**

- High school (or equivalent) degree, current enrollment in higher education or Bachelor's degree preferred
- Experience working with diverse communities, particularly sexual minorities
- Demonstrated ability to take responsibility for assignments and deadlines and to work as part of a team
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills

- Experience working in an ethnically, culturally, and racially diverse environment (preferred)
- Ability to work harmoniously with diverse groups of individuals (required)

**Personal Characteristics and Other requirements:**

- Motivated and enthusiastic
- Good attention to detail
- Good organizational and time management skills
- A high level of cross-cultural sensitivity
- Ability to work independently and within a team

**To Apply:**

Please email current CV, brief cover letter describing fit with the position, and the names/contact information of two professional references to Dr. Aaron Blashill ([ajblashill@sdsu.edu](mailto:ajblashill@sdsu.edu)). Applicants will be considered immediately. We would like to have the positions filled as soon as possible.

*A background check (including a criminal records check) must be completed satisfactorily before any candidate can be offered a position with SDSU Research Foundation*

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