SCHOLARSHIP FOR GRADUATE RESEARCH ON PAIN AND DISABILITY

Location: McGill University, School of Physical and Occupational Therapy
Degree/Fellowship: MSc(Thesis), PhD or Post-Doctoral Fellow in Rehabilitation Sciences
Supervisor: Timothy Wideman, PT, PhD
Remuneration: $20,000 to $30,000 / year for 1 to 4 years, depending on training

Overview of research program:
The overarching goal of Dr. Wideman's research program is to improve the lives of people living with pain. Dr. Wideman’s lab works toward this goal by focusing on three streams of research. The first stream focuses on developing new tools and strategies to help physiotherapists and other rehabilitation professionals better understand and manage pain-related disability. These include measuring and targeting psychological and sensitizing factors that have been shown to influence treatment outcomes, but are not commonly addressed in current clinical practice. The second line of research focuses on using qualitative and mixed-methodologies to better characterize and address the subjective experience of pain. The third line of research focuses on using knowledge translation strategies to improve the quality and consistency of pain education for healthcare professionals.

Skills and attributes of ideal candidates:
• Strong motivation to learn, collaborate and improve the lives of people living with pain
• Competitive for external funding (e.g. High GPA and strong research potential)
• Advanced communication, writing and analytic skills
• Strong skillset in statistical analysis and/or qualitative methodology
• Experience working with people in pain
• Fluent in French and English (written and verbal)

Application details:
Applications are currently being considered and will be accepted until January 29th, 2017. Interested candidates are encouraged to send the following information to timothy.wideman@mcgill.ca: 1) Curriculum Vitae, 2) copy of all university transcripts (unofficial copies will be accepted), 3) one-page statement of interest. Applicants should be prepared to apply for fall 2017 admission to the School of Physical and Occupational Therapy graduate studies program (deadline January 31st, 2016 please see http://www.mcgill.ca/spot/admissions for details). Only applicants being considered for the position will be contacted. Strong applicants will be encouraged to apply for fall admission and offers will be made in March/April 2017.