

Applications are invited for a PhD student in the Institute of Communication and Health at the University of Lugano, Lugano Switzerland.

The PhD student works towards a Doctor of Philosophy in Communication Sciences with a specialization in Health Communication. Primary work responsibilities include designing, developing, implementing and evaluating tailored physical activity communication. The position comes with a tuition waiver and a 36,000 CHF annual stipend. For more information about the University, PhD program or the Institute, visit: <http://www.unisi.ch/> or <http://www.ich.com.unisi.ch/en/index.htm>

Qualifications:

The selected candidate must have expertise in programming multi-media, tailored health programs. An interest in programming for mobile communication technologies is a plus. Must have strong interest in health communication, health behavior change, technology, multi-media and tailored communication. Must be creative, detail-oriented, flexible, independent, and have a strong research orientation. A Masters degree in a related field (Computer Science, Communication, Informatics, Health Studies, Public Health) is required.

- Minimum Technology proficiency: ASP, Access or MS SQL server. JSP and MySQL or postgresQL. Basic level of JAVA. Dreamweaver. Photoshop.
- Language proficiency: Fluency in English (written and verbal). All work is conducted English. Italian is preferred. French is a plus.

To Apply:

Please send cover letter, resume, samples of previous work, and a 1-2 page statement of research interests and career goals describing your motivation for obtaining a Ph.D. degree, prior research or related experience, and current goals for a professional career after obtaining the Ph.D. degree to Professor Suggs at the e-mail or post address below. Also have two letters of recommendation sent directly from the referee. The application and letters of recommendation must be written in English.

Review of complete applications will begin immediately. The position will be filled as soon as possible.

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