

Announcement of Doctoral Student Assistantship



Dr. Leah E. Robinson, Professor in the School of Kinesiology, and the Director of the Child Movement, Activity, and Developmental Health Laboratory at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, is currently seeking a motivated Doctoral Student to work on research related to movement and physical activity behaviors in children and youth starting Fall 2021 term at the #1 ranked Kinesiology PhD program in the nation by the [National Academy of Kinesiology \(NAK\)](#).

Dr. Robinson is a motor developmentalist who studies the development of fundamental motor skills on physical activity and developmental health outcomes in children and youth. She has been the principal investigator of two NIH grants and one RWJF grants and a co-investigator on other extramural studies. She was the recipient of an Early Career Distinguished Scholar Award from the North American Society for the Psychology of Sport and Physical Activity and has received several other awards/recognitions for her scholarship. Dr. Robinson is also a Fellow in the American College of Sports Medicine.

- The selected student will begin the PhD program in **Fall 2021** and will be provided with full funding for tuition, stipend and health care (student/family) as a Graduate Student Instructor.
- The selected student will have the unique opportunity to work on federally-funded projects related to: (a) examining the immediate (pre- to post-test) and sustained (1-year post-intervention follow-up) effects of an afterschool program on physical activity (primary outcome), motor performance, perceived motor competence, health-related physical fitness, and weight status and (b) examining the immediate and sustained effects of a motor skill intervention on physical activity, perceived competence, and motor competence.
- Applicants should have a Master's and Bachelor's degree in Kinesiology, 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.
- Applicants will be considered on a rolling basis until the position is filled. Students will need to apply and gain admittance to the University of Michigan School of Kinesiology doctoral program. For best consideration, interested students should contact Dr. Robinson immediately, as applications will be reviewed upon receipt. To be considered, please electronically send to Professor Robinson (lerobin@umich.edu) in PDF format: a letter of interest, current curriculum vitae, writing sample, and contact information for three references. Please include in the subject line of your e-mail submissions: "Ph.D. Position: CMAH LAB".
- 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. Robinson's research can be found at <https://www.cmahlab.com/>