The Department of Psychology at the University of California, Santa Cruz (UCSC) invites applications for the position of Postdoctoral Scholar in Developmental Psychology, under the direction of Professor Maureen Callanan. The Postdoctoral Scholar will contribute to an NSF funded collaborative project focused on children’s informal science learning in museum settings, particularly through “explaining and exploring” with their parents. Collaborators include museum partners at Children’s Discovery Museum of San Jose, as well as researchers and museum partners in Austin, TX (University of Texas and Thinkery) and Providence, RI (Brown University and Providence Children’s Museum. The Postdoctoral Scholar will contribute to this collaborative research by bringing expertise in videocoding of conversational interaction, quantitative and/or qualitative data analytic techniques, and background in developmental psychology, science education, or a related field. The successful candidate will be expected to assist in developing new coding schemes to capture aspects of family interaction and children’s learning, as well as to engage in data analysis, study design, data collection, and supervision of undergraduate researchers.

We have a preference for candidates with expertise in cultural diversity in human development and/or expertise in cognitive development or informal science learning research.

RANK: Postdoctoral Scholar

SALARY: $48,216 - $50,316, commensurate with qualifications and experience.

BASIC QUALIFICATIONS:
• Ph.D. or equivalent foreign degree in Developmental Psychology or a related field
• Experience conducting research with young children and/or families

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:
• Experience coding videotaped interactions
• Expertise in statistical analysis

POSITION AVAILABLE: July 1, 2017 (but start date is negotiable). Ph.D. in hand at time of appointment.

TERM OF APPOINTMENT: The initial appointment is for one year, with the possibility of extension. Should the hiring unit propose reappointment; a review to assess performance will be conducted. Reappointment is also contingent upon availability of funding. For appointments within the University of California, a total duration of an individual’s postdoctoral service may not exceed five years, including postdoctoral service at other institutions.

TO APPLY: Applications are accepted via the UCSC Academic Recruit online system and must include a letter of application addressing how you meet the qualifications for the position; curriculum vitae; representative papers or publications (a minimum of two are required and a maximum of three will be accepted); and three confidential letters of recommendation.* Documents/materials must be submitted as PDF files.

*All letters will be treated as confidential per University of California policy and California state law. For any reference letter provided via a third party (i.e., dossier service, career center), direct the author to UCSC’s confidentiality statement at http://apo.ucsc.edu/confstm.htm.

APPLY AT: https://recruit.ucsc.edu/apply/JPF00441

Refer to Position #JPF00441-17T in all correspondence.

CLOSING DATE: Review of applications will begin on May 8, 2017. To ensure full consideration, applications should be complete by this date. The position will remain open until filled, but not later than June 30, 2018.

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