Overview: We are pleased to announce that we are accepting applications for a unique postdoctoral fellowship experience. The University of Missouri (MU) Department of Orthopaedic Surgery is recruiting a Postdoctoral Fellow in Behavioral Health Psychology/Rehabilitation Psychology starting September 1, 2022. The position is for 1-2 year (option to renew at the end of the first year) full time clinical fellowship focusing on the development of a new and innovative behavioral health service in trauma surgery and recovery. This Fellowship is designed to provide the trainee with the skills and experience necessary to develop and implement behavioral healthcare programs, skills in working in collaboration with medical and surgical health care teams, and development of advanced competencies in medical health psychology and rehabilitation psychology that will prepare them for independent clinical practice in a medical setting. The fellowship will also provide necessary training and experience for the candidate to pursue board certification in both rehabilitation psychology and clinical health psychology. The University of Missouri Health Care system is an extensive network of inpatient and outpatient clinical care specialties and a Level I Trauma Center, accredited by the American College of Surgeons, meaning that the most severely injured patients are treated by our providers and in our facilities.

Clinical Training: Clinically, the fellowship is focused on the development of a comprehensive behavioral health services for patients requiring orthopaedic trauma care and surgery following traumatic injuries (e.g., motor vehicle crash) and/or due to critical illness. Service development will be focusing on inpatient and outpatient behavioral health care, in collaboration with the orthopaedic trauma team, to maximize functional recovery for patients and to coordinate care across specialties for provision of integrated care. The most common patient populations served include those with complex orthopaedic injuries, polytrauma, limb amputations and complex joint restorative surgeries. There will also be focused involvement in limb preservation trauma team.

The fellow will provide comprehensive services for adult medical patients with a special emphasis on orthopaedic trauma, pain management, health behavior changes, and treatment adherence. Furthermore, there are extensive opportunities to develop expertise in evidence-based practices for treatment of emotional and behavioral dysregulation in the context of medical disorders, PTSD, anxiety, grief and adjustment difficulties following injury. The fellowship training will also offer didactic and active learning opportunities through engagement in departmental didactics as well as university wide educational opportunities.

Although this fellowship is intended to be primarily clinical in nature, the University of Missouri Orthopaedic Institute has robust research and research mentorship available as desired. The primary clinical supervisor for this opportunity is Renée Stucky, Ph.D, ABPP, and the Fellow will have the opportunity to collaborate with interdisciplinary clinicians and researchers from across MU.

Eligibility: • Appropriate applicants will have earned a Ph.D or Psy.D. in clinical or counseling psychology from an APA-accredited institution and will have completed an APA-accredited internship and be license eligible in the state of Missouri. Internship experience in medical settings is beneficial. Strong
candidates will have training and experience in general clinical health psychology, experience in assessment and intervention with medical patients, experience in working with individuals for health behavior changes, and have interest in working on interdisciplinary care teams.

**Additional Details:** • Salary is based on National Institutes of Health guidelines for Psychology post-doctoral fellows; Benefits include 20 days paid vacation, professional leave time, holidays, and health, dental, vision, and life insurance. • The Fellowship is located in Columbia, MO, a vibrant city of approximately 120,000 citizens. The community is affordable, while still having a diverse culture, quality restaurants, University sports, arts, and entertainment, a broad spectrum of community services and events, and easy access to parks, trails, and outdoor activities. Find out more here: [https://discoverthedistrict.com/](https://discoverthedistrict.com/)

**Application Instructions:** Application deadline is April 1, 2022, although applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, and we encourage applicants to apply soon if interested. Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest, current CV, three letters of recommendation mailed directly from writer, graduate transcripts mailed directly from institution, and a clinical work sample (preferably an initial report related to health psychology) to: Renée Stucky, Ph.D, ABPP (RP), Director, Behavioral Health at [stuckyr@health.missouri.edu](mailto:stuckyr@health.missouri.edu). For administrative questions and support, please contact Kylee Rucinski, MHA, Revenue Management Coordinator for the Mizzou BioJoint Center and Director of the MU Joint Health Program at [rucinskik@health.missouri.edu](mailto:rucinskik@health.missouri.edu)