

Current Doctoral Student Opening

POSITION: PhD Studentship Opportunity (Western University)

SALARY PERIOD: \$20,000 annually starting Spring or Fall 2023 (guaranteed for 3 years)

REPORTS TO: Dr. Trish Tucker and Dr. Leigh Vanderloo, Child Health and Physical Activity Lab, School of Occupational Therapy, Faculty of Health Sciences, Western University

Dr. Tucker and Vanderloo's research program is housed within the Child Health and Physical Activity Laboratory in the Faculty of Health Sciences at Western University. Our lab provides international leadership and research excellence in the promotion of physical activity during the early years. Our team is comprised of a multidisciplinary group of research scientists, research staff, graduate and practicum students, and post-doctoral fellows. Working with local, provincial, national, and international partners and stakeholders, we are committed to advancing the understanding and importance of promoting healthy active living, with a mission to enhance the health and wellness of young children. Details of Dr. Tucker's and Vanderloo's research can be found here (<https://www.childpalab.ca/current-lab-members>).

RESPONSIBILITIES

Drs. Tucker and Vanderloo are looking for an outstanding bilingual (English and French) **PhD Student** to work on the TEACH-FR study (<https://www.childpalab.ca/current-projects>). The goal is to train French speaking early childhood educators in movement behaviours (combined and integrated physical activity, sedentary behaviour, sleep) for young children in childcare. The TEACH modules are already complete; this study will oversee translation and testing of the French module. More details on the study can be found here (<https://www.mdpi.com/1660-4601/19/7/3890>).

QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

The ideal student must be eligible and accepted for a PhD program at Western University, have strong academic ability and potential, a passion for healthy active living research in the early years, strong writing and analytical skills, a strong work ethic and motivation, demonstrate collegiality and professionalism, good project management skills, good communication skills in both English and French (speaking, writing, presenting), good judgment, and be a reliable self-starter and team player with demonstrated initiative, creativity, flexibility, and ambition.

TO APPLY

Please send a complete CV, cover letter, and contact information for **two** references to Dr. Trish Tucker by email to ttucker2@uwo.ca.