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Centre for Health, Exercise and Sports Medicine Masters by Research (MPhil)/PhD Opportunity



The opportunity

A PhD or MPhil project is available to help improve access to physiotherapy care for people suffering one of the world's most chronic musculoskeletal conditions - knee osteoarthritis. The research higher degree project will be embedded within our new clinical trial comparing the effectiveness of video consultations to face-to-face consultations with a physiotherapist for people with knee osteoarthritis. The scope of the project is negotiable and may include qualitative studies with patients and physiotherapists about their experiences with video consultations and barriers to implementation, comparison of communication styles employed in video consultations relative to face-to-face care, and/or a discrete choice experiment to ascertain patient preferences for physiotherapy care.



The candidate

Commencing in 2019 or early 2020, a full-time position is available for a suitably qualified candidate with an allied health, medical, exercise or science related degree. Although full-time candidates are preferred, we may also consider suitable part-time applicants. Please note that there is no stipend associated with this project - instead, high-achieving applicants are encouraged to apply for a University of Melbourne scholarship. For further information about scholarships, see: <https://scholarships.unimelb.edu.au/awards/graduate-research-scholarships>



The location

The Centre for Health, Exercise and Sports Medicine (CHESM) is a multidisciplinary research Centre within the University. Currently there are approximately 20 staff and students. Our main research focus is on the role of conservative strategies, particularly exercise, in promoting overall health and wellbeing and in preventing and managing the public health problems that are currently facing society. A particular focus is the prevention and management of musculoskeletal conditions such as osteoarthritis.



The next steps

For further information and eligibility:

Link for MPhil: <https://study.unimelb.edu.au/find/courses/graduate/master-of-philosophy-mdhs-health-sciences/>

Link for PhD: <http://mdhs-study.unimelb.edu.au/degrees/doctor-of-philosophy/entry-requirements#entry-requirements>

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