

Research Assistant I/II (Ref: 2401428) Department of Linguistics and Modern Language Studies

Project Title: Comparing the Portrayals and Medicalisation of Autism in Hong Kong Newspapers with the Perceptions of Individuals with Autism: A Discourse Analytic Study

[Appointment Period: 12 months]

The appointee will participate in projects related to discourse studies of news portrayals of autism and the self-perception of autistic individuals in Hong Kong. He/She will be involved in a wide range of research activities, such as reviewing literature, collecting and analyzing data, preparing research reports, and undertaking project-related administrative work, including arranging and conducting interviews with autistic individuals. He/she will also need to perform other duties as assigned. The appointment will be for a period of 12 months, with the possibility of renewal subject to mutual agreement.

Applicants should have a Bachelor's Degree or above in Linguistics/Language Studies, Language Sciences, Special Education, Psychology, or a related discipline, with relevant post-qualification full-time working experience or an approved qualification or equivalent standard. Applicants should have a good command of spoken and written English and Chinese, and being familiar with corpus linguistics and discourse analysis is desirable. Preference will be given to those with extensive experience in conducting interviews with autistic individuals.

Applicants for Research Assistant II should have at least Level 2 or equivalent or above in five subjects including Chinese Language, English Language and Mathematics in HKDSE; or Grade E (Level 2) or above in five subjects including Chinese, English (Syllabus B) and Mathematics in HKCEE or equivalent.

For enquiries about the post, please contact Dr YIP, Wai Chi Jesse (jwcyjp@eduhk.hk).

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Initial appointment will be made on a fixed-term contract. Fringe benefits include contract-end gratuity, leave, medical and dental benefits.

The University only accepts and considers applications submitted online for this post. Applicants should complete the <u>online application form</u> and upload a full CV on or before **3 January 2025**. Applications which are incomplete or without the required documents may not be considered. Personal data provided by applicants will be used for recruitment and other employment-related purposes. For details of the Personal Information Collection Statement, please refer to http://www.eduhk.hk/jobsopp/index.php?glang=en.

All applications will be treated in strict confidence. Only those who are shortlisted will be contacted. The University reserves the right not to fill the position(s) advertised. Since the incumbent's work would involve contacts with persons aged under 18 and/or mentally incapacitated persons, prospective employee(s) will be required to undergo Sexual Conviction Record Check operated by the Hong Kong Police Force.

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