

Role	Research Assistant: Conceptualizations of solidarity and reciprocity in public health emergencies
Department	Nuffield Department of Population Health
Group	Ethox Centre
Location	Big Data Institute, Old Road Campus, Oxford
Grade and salary	Grade 6, circa £15.61 per hour (negotiable based on experience)
Contract type	Casual, pro rata – starting ASAP
Reporting to	Stephanie Johnson

The role will be for a maximum of 12 weeks and will be subject to receipt of satisfactory references and proof of right to work in the UK. If the successful candidate is a current University of Oxford DPhil student, you will need written confirmation from your supervisor and Director of Graduate Studies that they are happy for you to undertake the work.

Role Description

This research project is part of the [Global Infectious Disease Ethics Collaborative](#). In the proposed study, we seek to understand and explore how two principles, solidarity and reciprocity, are conceptualized in public health emergencies of international concern (PHEIC). The person appointed will assist Dr Munung and Dr Johnson to conduct a literature review, a thematic analysis of media reports (tweets and media interviews) and qualitative interviews on how the principle of solidarity has been used to mobilise action during PHEICs.

Specifically, the person appointed will conduct research in the context of two recent public health emergencies of international concern, Ebola and COVID-19. In this context, the role will include:

1. Conduct literature review
2. Conduct preliminary analysis of literature (with investigators)
3. Help with organising recruitment material and applying for ethical approval to conduct the interviews
4. Recruit and conduct interviews, send interviews to the transcription service and anonymise transcripts
5. Develop a coding manual for interview data analysis (with investigators)
6. Collect, clean and code interview data
7. Assist in the analysis of the interviews (negotiable)
8. Develop a search strategy and coding manual for media analysis (with investigators)
9. Collect data, clean data, and code data for media analysis
10. Attend project meetings and training

Essential Criteria

- Hold a PhD/DPhil or be in the final stages of a PhD/DPhil in sociology or anthropology or similar discipline
- Have proven experience with conducting qualitative interviews and in qualitative analysis
- Ability to manage own academic research and administrative activities. This involves small scale project management, to co-ordinate multiple aspects of work to meet deadlines
- Ability to assimilate information efficiently and accurately
- Ability to work as part of an interdisciplinary team
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, including excellent English writing skills

Desirable criteria

- Evidence of publication output in social science journals
- Experience in working in the field of bioethics, social policies and/or other relevant disciplines
- Have an interest in ethics and global health or infectious disease
- Knowledge of concepts in African bioethics would be an advantage

How to apply

- Please send a short CV and letter of application, outlining your interest in the project, to Claire Murray: claire.murray@ethox.ox.ac.uk
- If you would like an informal discussion about the opportunity please contact Stephanie Johnson: stephanie.johnson@bdi.ox.ac.uk
- We will close applications when we have identified a suitable candidate.