GRADUATE STUDENT OPPORTUNITY
Area of research: Psychiatric Interventions and Public Attitudes

A Master’s or PhD scholarship opportunity is available at the National Core for Neuroethics, University of British Columbia, beginning September 2017. The position is part of the European Consortium Grant on ethical legal and social issues in psychiatric neurosurgery. Broadly constructed, the purpose of this project is to explore international views and values about the (re)emergence of psychiatric neurosurgery for mental health disorders. Independent aspects of the project based on the student’s own scholarship will serve as the basis for his or her thesis.

RESPONSIBILITIES
• Carry out research using qualitative and quantitative research methods
• Apply appropriate analytic techniques for content analyses of narrative data and to parametric and nonparametric data.
• Assist with the development and management of human subjects’ approval protocols
• Develop and deliver presentations, manuscripts, and outreach materials
• Manage the daily work associated with the research
• Collaborate with project researchers and staff
• Participate in laboratory meetings, seminars and journal clubs, and other academic and teaching opportunities

PhD students are encouraged to develop their own research within the scope of the project, and to publish both team and independently authored manuscripts.

EDUCATION / WORK EXPERIENCE
Bachelor’s or Master’s degree or equivalent in cognitive neuroscience, psychology, health-related ethics, or a related field with coursework relevant to the field of neuroethics preferred. Appointment may be made in any one of UBC’s many Schools or Departments, for example Population and Public Health, Interdisciplinary Studies, or Experimental Medicine. Documented interest in and experience with the field of neuroethics will be considered an asset. Computer experience required with word processing, spreadsheet development, internet and electronic mail applications, methods related to neuroethics analysis, e.g., qualitative analysis of interview data, content analysis, statistical methods, powerpoint.

SKILLS
Excellent organizational and interpersonal abilities. Ability to communicate effectively verbally and in writing. Ability to maintain accuracy and attention to detail. Ability to prioritize and work effectively under pressure to meet deadlines. Ability to work effectively independently and in a team environment. Ability to deal with a diversity of people respectfully and professionally.

HOW TO APPLY
Applications must be sent by e-mail to Dr. Judy Illes. They should include a CV, a list of publications or a writing sample, a brief statement highlighting how you are a suitable applicant for this position and the name of two persons who can act as referees if contacted. Only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

DEADLINE
Position will remain open until filled.
Start date: September 1, 2017

Further enquiries should be directed to Dr. Judy Illes, Professor and Director (illes@mail.ubc.ca).