

# MRC/UVRI and LSHTM Uganda Research Unit



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## **EMPLOYMENT/CAREER OPPORTUNITY**

The Unit is an internationally recognised centre of excellence with dominant research themes in the areas of HIV and emerging infections, vaccines and immunity, and chronic diseases and cancer. Through a multidisciplinary approach, intersecting basic science, epidemiological research, social-behavioural research, and the conduct of new intervention evaluation studies, the Unit contributes knowledge on changing epidemics and diseases, the evaluation of innovative health care options, treatment, and prevention, and the development of health policy and practice in Africa and worldwide. Following the signing of strategic transfer agreements between the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM) and the Medical Research Council (MRC UK), the Unit formally joined LSHTM on 1st February 2018. The exciting new partnership will boost research capacity into current and emerging health issues in Africa and throughout the world. The Unit is based at the UVRI Entebbe campus with established outposts in Kalungu, Masaka, Wakiso, and Kampala Districts. The Unit is now seeking enthusiastic and experienced individuals to fill the following position:

Field Worker Interviewer – (09 Positions)

Position Code: FW-922

Reports to: Research Coordinator

Station: Kalungu, Uganda

Period: 3months

### **Job Purpose:**

The position holder will be responsible for completing household enumeration and collecting household and general questionnaire survey data with participants adhering to study procedures. This post will report to the Research Coordinator of the Functional Needs Assessment Survey. Data will be collected using a tablet-based data mobile application.

### **Roles & Responsibilities**

- Attending study training for the survey;
- Traveling daily to different study areas throughout the study area and visit households selected to be included in the survey;
- Meeting with community representatives in selected study areas and complete enumeration of households included in the survey, entering data into an app on android tablets thoroughly and accurately;
- Conducting interviews (using a questionnaire) to collect data including on socio-economic characteristics and level of difficulty with different areas of functioning;
- Obtaining consent/assent from study participants; and,
- Following all ethical and protocol procedures such COVID-19 Infection Prevention and

Control guidelines.

### **Person Specification**

- Degree in Social sciences (or related);
- Certificate in health education/health promotion;
- Completed courses in either survey and/or research methods; disability, rehabilitation, and/or assistive technology training;
- Should possess 3 years of experience in survey enumeration, data collection, and data entry;
- Previous experience in an interview, surveys, or other types of research;
- Experience in working in communities with diverse groups, including people with disabilities;
- Tablet-based data collection skills;
- Good interpersonal and verbal communication skills;
- Ability to speak the local language of the study area (Luganda); and,
- Willingness to travel to communities in the district each day for data collection.

### **How to Apply**

Follow the link below to fill a form and submit your application documentation:

[https://redcap.link/Field Work](https://redcap.link/Field_Work)

*Filling the form more than once will lead to automatic disqualification. High level of integrity while filling the form is required and will be considered during shortlisting.*

**Combine all your application documentation i.e. cover letter, CV & certified copies of academic documents into one PDF document.** Deadline for application is **14<sup>th</sup> October 2022, 5:00 pm.** Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for an interview. This position is open to Ugandan nationals only. Strictly follow the application procedure as failure to do so will lead to automatic disqualification. Only online applications through the link provided will be accepted. ***You will receive a notification in your email if your application and documentation have been successfully received.***

***N.B:*** You will be required to present certified copies of your academic documentation before employment.

### **The applications should be addressed to:**

The Head of Human Resources,  
MRC/ UVRI and LSHTM Uganda Research Unit,  
P.O. Box, 49, Entebbe,  
Uganda.

Consider your application unsuccessful if not contacted within eight (8) weeks after the closing date of the advert. Any form of lobbying at any stage will lead to automatic disqualification. By submitting your personal information, you consent to the MRC/ UVRI and LSHTM Uganda Research Unit holding and using it in accordance with its recruitment policy and procedure. The Unit reserves the right to verify documents attached with the relevant awarding institutions to authenticate their validity.

***MRC/UVRI & LSHTM Uganda Research Unit strives for inclusion and diversity and therefore considers all job applicants based on merit without regard to race, sex, color, national origin, religion, age, marital status, and disability. We highly encourage persons with disabilities to apply and compete for different job openings at the Unit. The Unit is an equal opportunity employer committed to having a diverse work force and does not ask for money at any stage of recruitment.***