**Job Posting form for Harvard Student**

**Research Assistant Openings**

**Position Title:**  **If Other:**

 **Please describe**

**Start Date:** **11/10/2021 End Date if known:** 5/15/2022

**Supervisor (faculty member or designee):**

Carrie James, Principal Investigator, Project Zero, HGSE and Director of DBIR, Democratic Knowledge Project, Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics

isa Shen, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Democratic Knowledge Project, Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics

**Assigned course or lab Assignment (if applicable):**

**Brief description of required duties:**

Harvard’s Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics is seeking support for a major initiative to support the renewal of K-12 civic education. In June 2018, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education in the State passed new educational standards intended to extend and deepen the place of civic education in the curriculum. The standards now require a year-long 8thgrade civics course. Harvard’s Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics, through its Democratic Knowledge Project (DKP) has co-designed an open-source, year-long Grade 8 civics course with Cambridge Public Schools entitled “Civic Engagement in Our Democracy” and has been pilot testing the course with districts across Massachusetts. During the 2021-22 academic year, we will continue to pilot testing, research, and redesign of the curriculum with teachers in 11 school districts in Massachusetts.

We are seeking a student RA to join our Design Based Implementation Research (DBIR) team to contribute to research in support of continuous improvement of DKP’s yearlong eighth-grade civics curriculum and its supporting system of professional development. Key tasks include the following: coding of civics curriculum lessons for PBL and equity-related indicators. Tasks may also include literature reviews, coding and analysis of qualitative interview transcripts, field notes, and summary notes and contributing to research reports. This position requires a 5-hour weekly time commitment for the 2020 - 2021 academic year.

**Basic and preferred qualifications:**

The ideal candidate has experience collecting and analyzing qualitative data in schools and other educational settings.

**Work location:**

**Expected pay rate or range:** range $21-26/hour depending on graduate student year/level  **Expected pay frequency:**

(Final pay rate will be determined by Human Resources)(Human Resources makes final determination of pay frequency)

**Expected work schedule:**

TBD

**Instructions for applying for the position:**

Email a cover letter and resume or CV to carrie\_james@harvard.edu and lisa\_shen@fas.harvard.edu

**Deadline for applying:**

11/15/21

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