The Columbia Population Research Center is accepting applications for the Fragile Families Summer Data Workshop to be held June 14-18, 2021. The workshop, which will be held virtually, is designed to familiarize participants with the data available in the Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study, a national study following a birth cohort of (mostly) unmarried parents and their children, providing information about the capabilities, circumstances, and relationships of unwed parents, the wellbeing of their children, and the role of public policy in family and child wellbeing. Collaborative studies, available on a limited basis are available on: prenatal care; child neglect; child care; epigenetics; genetic-environmental interactions, urban youth; educational records; adolescent wellbeing and brain development; sleep; and cardiovascular health.

The 2021 workshop will be online and will include special sections on racial inequality, systemic racism and plans for the 22-year follow-up survey, which is underway. The workshop target early-career scholars from social science disciplines. We particularly encourage applications from junior faculty, postdoctoral fellows and graduate students using the Fragile Families data in their doctoral dissertations.

Underrepresented scholars are strongly encouraged to apply. About 25-30 applicants will be selected. Travel support will be available for accepted out-of-town candidates if a residential format occurs. The Fragile Families Summer Data Workshop is made possible by a grant from the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health & Human Development (5R25HD074544).