

Doktorandprojekt 03

Phd Project Description from Sean Perrin

There is an opportunity for a PhD student to carry out research to help improve outcomes in cognitive behavioral treatments for individuals with chronic pain. The research is primarily focused on adults but may include children and adolescents. There is the possibility that the research may also involve refugees who have been tortured. The overall aims of the research are: 1) developing and testing individual and group-based interventions that target active change processes, particularly those from the psychological flexibility model of chronic pain, to improve overall functioning (including return to work - RTW) and Quality of Life (QoL), and to reduce healthcare costs; and 2) evaluating predictors/moderators of long-term outcomes of existing and newly developed psychological treatments for chronic pain. There is scope for the PhD student to target understudied pain-related disorders and populations (e.g., childhood cancer survivors). This research involves close coordination with ongoing research being carried out with Lund PhD students and post-doctoral fellows and provides opportunities for collaboration across disciplines, clinical settings, and universities. There are opportunities for collaboration with other members of the psychology and medical faculties at Lund University and from other universities in Sweden and abroad.

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