Call for Proposals - iCALL's Youth Mental Health Fellowship 2022-23

iCALL, a field action project of the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, is happy to announce it's PAN India, Youth Mental Health Fellowship (YMHF). iCALL's YMHF, supported by Zoom Cares, the social impact arm of Zoom, provides an opportunity to young people to study areas related to youth mental health in India, strengthen their research skills, and contribute to the well-being of young individuals.

The YMHF aims to initiate youth-led research centering young individuals in the endeavors of knowledge creation about their mental health. Given the dearth of Indian research on youth mental health issues, the fellowship will serve to generate new knowledge, which will, in turn, inform the designing of future policies and programmes for young individuals.

Interested candidates must be self-driven, motivated to work independently, and ready to take on challenges that come their way during the Fellowship period. Given that the fellowship consists of multiple components, it will follow a hybrid modality with some components being presented online while others offline.

Fellowship Description & Application Procedure:

No of Fellowship: 6 Research Felloships

Duration: Eight months.

The eligibility criteria for the fellowship is as follows:

- Individuals between the ages of 18-24
- Individuals with an innovative research idea and a well-thought-out proposal on youth mental health
- Individuals with a minimum Bachelor's degree from a UGC-recognized university in one of the following academic disciplines:
 - Psychology
 - Social work
 - Health
 - o Education
 - o Law
 - Or any other relevant field
- Individuals having at least two years of experience in mental health research and academic writing with demonstrable work
- Individuals who can offer an eight-month commitment to the fellowship processes (Attending ongoing workshops, working closely with the mentors, involving young individuals in all stages of the research process, collecting and analyzing data, and writing reports)
- Individuals closely involved in youth mental health work, well-networked with a community of young individuals, and with an ability to mobilize this community
- Individuals who are keen on learning, can take the initiative and follow deadlines

Location: PAN India

Stipend: 15000/- per month

Last date of application: 17th November 2022

Interested candidates need to send their proposal which presents the rationale behind the intervention, the aim/objectives, and describes what they propose to do during the fellowship period in maximum 12500-1500 words (details of the guidelines for proposal can be found here) and other supporting documents (details of past research experience, and two reference letters) to the google form here: https://bit.ly/3eP9RJt

Additionally in case of any queries, they can write to icall.zoomcares@gmail.com