

Dr. Samuel Pimentel seeks a postdoctoral scholar to work with him in the Department of Statistics at UC Berkeley on estimating causal effects of various aspects of social media use on mental health, using longitudinal data on adolescents from the [TECHWISE study](#). The project will require both engagement with substantive clinical questions and methodological innovation. The scholar will help to supervise graduate student researchers and will work closely with clinicians and data scientists at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and industry partner Aura. The scholar will also participate in the broader intellectual community of the Department of Statistics at UC Berkeley, including attending and occasionally presenting in group meetings and internal seminars.

The position is a 2-year full-time appointment with anticipated start date in summer/fall 2026. Compensation will be provided according to UC Berkeley's [postdoctoral salary scales](#) and [benefits policies](#). Minimum qualifications are a PhD in Statistics/Biostatistics (or a closely related field), and a strong record of collaborative and independent research in causal inference and/or applications in health and social science. If interested, please send an email to spi@berkeley.edu with the phrase "Postdoc Application" in the subject line and include:

- a current CV
- a brief (1-2 page) research statement
- the names and email addresses of two professional references.

Applications will be considered on a rolling basis until the position is filled.