Dr. Stefanie Ruiz of the Clemson University Nonprofit Leadership Program is currently looking for eligible candidates for a Ph.D. Graduate Assistantship beginning in Fall (Aug) 2023. This assistantship offers on-campus students a competitive stipend and a full tuition waiver (student fees are not covered by the waiver). The 9-month academic year is covered by assistantships, which require 20 hours of work each week. If Ph.D. students perform satisfactorily, assistantships are extendable for a further three academic years. In addition, extra funds may be available for Ph.D. students who want to teach classes or work on grant-funded projects during the academic year and the summer months.

Responsibilities of the Graduate Assistant (GA) may include but are not limited to:

* Assisting in and eventually independently performing teaching activities
* Coordinating research activities
* Assisting in grant writing activities
* Generating peer-reviewed publications
* Analyzing, summarizing, and reporting collected data
* Engaging in international and interprofessional research collaborations
* Presenting research findings at regional, national, and international conferences
* Assisting with the development of quantitative and qualitative data collection protocols

Topics and populations that are the main focuses of Dr. Ruiz’s research include but are not limited to:

* Minority experiences in majority spaces
* Cross-cultural differences and racial relations
* Fundamental qualitative and quantitative research
* Minorities serving and being served by nonprofit organizations
* Civic participation, volunteering, and consequences of volunteering
* Latinos and other immigrant populations in the United States or beyond

Preferred Qualifications:

* Speaks Spanish (preferred, not required)
* Basic understanding of scholarly activities and academic work
* Experience working in nonprofits or minority-dedicated organizations
* Experience working on interdisciplinary or multi-disciplinary research projects
* Is comfortable building culturally sensitive relationships with minority communities
* Previous experience working on manuscripts for publication in peer-reviewed journals
* Some experience using qualitative and/or quantitative social science research methods

A Ph.D. from Clemson University’s PRTM Department prepares students to conduct research, teach, and work at an advanced level for universities and governmental and nonprofit organizations. Minority and international students are very welcome to apply!

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