# PAVOL JOZEF ŠAFÁRIK UNIVERSITY IN KOŠICE Faculty of Arts



Call for "Expression of Interest" to submit research proposal on adolescent development under the call 09103-03-V04 Fellowships for excellent researchers R2-R4, within Slovakia's Recovery and Resilience Plan

## Offer Description

Are you a postdoctoral researcher (R2) or established researcher (R3,R4) looking for a new experience in your research career?<sup>i</sup> Department of Educational Psychology and Psychology of Health at the Faculty of Arts, Pavol Jozef Šafárik University in Košice, Slovakia is looking for excellent researchers who are interested to submit a research proposal in the field of adolescent development.

### About the Department

Within a Psychological Laboratory of Risk Behaviour (<u>https://www.upjs.sk/filozoficka-fakulta/en/pracoviska/department-of-educational-psychology-and-psychology-of-</u>

<u>health/research-and-projects/</u>), the members of our team have extensive research experience in both international and national research projects and published papers in recognized international journals. International projects that we have participated in include several projects funded by EU within Justice programme (IMPRESA, SNIPE, SLICE).

Our research interests focus primarily on adolescent and university students' development in various contexts.

**Health risk behaviour and prevention** – the Department led and participated in large evaluation studies (RCTs) regarding the efficiency and effectiveness of drug use prevention programmes aimed at adolescents and university students, such as UNPLUGGED programme (School based universal prevention program). We focus on determinants of adolescents and young adults' alcohol consumption, smoking experiences, marihuana use and risky sexual behaviour.

**Internalizing and externalizing problems of adolescents and mental health** – within this topic we focus on depression, anxiety, self-harm behaviour and externalizing problem behaviour related to school settings.

**Parenting and parental control** – are among the most important determinants of adolescent development. Within our research we focus on factors within family context, parental behaviour, parenting styles, parental psychological control and overcontrol.

**School context** – at the moment we are partners within international project "Global Perspectives on Teachers' Wellbeing and Mental Health Following the COVID-19 Pandemic Research"

https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/ces/research/current/globalteachermentalhealthcovid19/internationalpartners/

**Self-determination theory** – large part of our research is framed by influential theory on human motivation - Self-determination theory.

### The aim of the fellowship

The aim of the fellowship is to support the excellent research in Slovak Republic. We are looking for both postdoctoral and established researchers who would like to conduct their research for 12 to 24 months in Slovakia in the field related to above mentioned topics. The fellowship covers living allowance and research costs for all research categories. For established researchers, categories R3 and R4, it also covers research costs for research team.

### What do we offer?

- Experienced and motivated research team
- Research infrastructure
- Competing living allowance
- Flexible working hours

#### <u>Details</u>

- Candidates must hold PhD in Psychology or related fields
- There is a two stage selection procedure. In the first stage a candidate will be selected based on their research experience, the proposed topic and quality of project proposal. In the second stage, a candidate will prepare a detailed project in close cooperation with hosting institution to be submitted for a call (deadline 28 September 2023)
- The European transnational mobility policy applies: researchers must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in the country they apply to for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately before the recruitment.
- The fellowship is for a period of 12 to 24 months, with June 2026 as the last implementation month
- The feedback from the call is expected in the beginning of 2024

### **Application**

- Interested candidates should submit their Expression of Interest to <u>maria.bacikova@upjs.sk</u>
- The deadline for submission is 31 August 2023
- The applicants should submit:
  - a complete CV including the list of publications and research projects participation
  - A brief 1-page proposal of your future research project
- Questions can be directed to maria.bacikova@upjs.sk

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>i</sup> https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/europe/career-development/training-researchers/research-profiles-descriptors