



**Position Vacant – Research Fellow  
Life Histories and Health (LHH):  
Babyboomers in Australia and England**

The Faculty of Health Sciences at the University of Sydney is the largest health science faculty in Australia and is internationally recognised for quality and innovation in teaching and research.

The Ageing, Work and Health Research Unit within the Faculty of Health Sciences conducts multi-disciplinary research of national importance in the areas of Ageing and Health, Work and Health, and Participation, Safety, and Ageing.

The Ageing and Health Research Group, led by Professor Hal Kendig and Dr Kate O'Loughlin, aims to better understand the connection between ageing and health. By better understanding the link between ageing and health we hope to develop health promotion and interventions that enable people to age well.

We are seeking an enthusiastic and committed early career researcher to collaborate with us on various projects, some funded by the Australian Research Council.

First, we are completing the Ageing Baby-Boomers in Australia (ABBA) Project, conducted in collaboration with La Trobe University, National Seniors Association, and the US AARP. Over the next year, we will be analysing results and completing publications from our 2009 Retirement Planning and Expectations Survey, and new data on attitudes towards ageing from the national 2010 AuSSA survey.

We have also begun an ARC Discovery Project on "Socio-economic Determinants and Health Inequalities over the Life Course: Australian and English Comparisons". The study is being conducted in collaboration with Professor Julie Byles at the University of Newcastle and Professor James Nazroo at the University of Manchester.

Our Australian Life History and Health (LHH) fieldwork during 2010 and 2011 will build on the ongoing 45 and Up survey, conducted by the NSW Sax Institute, and comparisons will be made to life history data being collected in 2010 by the English Longitudinal Survey on Ageing.

Meticulous and results driven you will work under the supervision of Prof. Hal Kendig and Dr Kate O'Loughlin on the University of Sydney components of the studies. You will coordinate the Australian LHH fieldwork and collaborate in analyses and publications from both the ABBA and LHH projects. The position will provide excellent opportunities for an early career researcher to participate in high quality research and build a publication track record in the National Research Priority area of Ageing Well, Ageing Productively.

Further details and application instructions can be found at <http://usyd.nga.net.au/cp/index.cfm?event=jobs.startJobSearch> (search academic positions in the Faculty of Health Sciences).

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