

Peer Researcher Role: Mapping the Margins

Location: Race Equality Foundation, Unit 17, Deane House Studios, 27 Greenwood Place, NW5 1LB

Hours: Part-time, 3 days a week

Working: Hybrid – at least 2 days a week in the office. Let us know if that might be hard for you.

Salary: £15,124 for 3 days a week (£25,207 for a full-time equivalent role)

Start Date: February 2025

Contract: 12 months

About the Project

The Race Equality Foundation and City St George's University of London are launching a research project to understand the impact of racism and discrimination on young people from Black, Asian, and minoritised ethnic backgrounds (aged 16-25 years). This research focuses particularly on:

- Young Black men with care experience
- Young South Asian women with physical disabilities

We want to explore how racism and discrimination affect their health and well-being, and work with these groups to develop better support systems and interventions for the future. An end-of-project event will be held to share what we've learned and discuss next steps.

For more detailed information about the project, please see our website.

What You'll Do

We're looking for two Peer Researchers to join the team and help with everything from designing research materials and running workshops to reading reports and sharing findings on social media. You'll be engaging with other young people and using creative methods (like photography) to gather their insights. You'll also work closely with the project team, sharing your ideas and experiences. Don't worry, training and support will be provided!

There are two positions available:

- One for a young* Black man with care experience
- One for a young* South Asian woman with a physical disability**

* A young person is someone aged between 16 and 25 years. However please do get in touch if you fall outside of this age range.

**We understand a physical disability to be one part of your identity which impacts on your day-to-day life, and which may or may not be visible.

What We're Looking For

We're looking for people who are:

- Curious and interested in health and well-being research
- Comfortable talking to both young people and adults
- Open to learning new skills
- Creative and enjoy forms of expression like photography, art, or writing
- Able to work well in a team and share ideas
- Organised, self-motivated, and can manage their time
- Trustworthy and respectful

We want to hear from you if you have some of the skills listed above and not others. What matters most is your enthusiasm and interest in the project.

Key Responsibilities

Your role will grow as the project progresses, but here are some things you'll be doing:

- Help plan and run workshops, including recruiting participants
- Create research tools (e.g., Photovoice method) and prepare consent forms
- Work with the team to recruit young people from target groups
- Support and guide workshop participants throughout the research
- Help review literature on the health and well-being of young people
- Assist with analysing data and writing reports
- Help organise the final event to present the project's findings
- Attend team meetings and contribute your own ideas

Support and Development

We will be there to help you throughout the 12 months of this project. With our support and guidance, you'll receive:

- Training in research methods, workshop facilitation, and other skills from City St George's and the Race Equality Foundation
- An Honorary Peer Researcher role with City St George's University including access to the library and online papers and opportunities to meet other researchers in the School of Health and Psychological Sciences
- Opportunities to gain experience working with a national charity and in a university setting
- Ongoing support and mentoring throughout the project

Contact information

If you want to learn more about the project, feel free to reach out to:

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