Research Opportunity

Preceptor Name: Lex Frieden, Professor, SBMI  
Campus: Houston/UTHealth

Overall grant or other program name:

**Independent Living Research Utilization (ILRU) / Southwest ADA Center**

Briefly describe your overall research program:

Current cancer treatment modalities have greatly enhanced survivorship for cancer patients however, most cancer survivors will experience some form of disability due to their disease. The Southwest ADA Center is the Southwest’s leading resource on the Americans with Disabilities Act and related disability rights laws. The Southwest ADA Center serves a wide range of audiences who are interested in or impacted by these laws, including employers, businesses, schools and people with disabilities, including those who are cancer survivors. The Center is currently leading a national research initiative to determine the impact of the ADA.

Name of specific project in which a student will participate:

**Empowering Cancer Survivors and other people with disabilities through awareness raising and public information.**

Specific duties of student:

Research utilization and education activities will introduce students to public policy and program evaluation, public education methods, legal aspects of cancer-related disability issues, self-advocacy, program planning and organization, and community outreach.

Students will participate in planning, developing and evaluating a public information program aimed at raising public awareness of the ADA and empowering people with disabilities, including cancer survivors.

This would be a good fit for someone with what major or interests?

**STEM, Law, Public Health, Public Policy and Communications**

Students begin June 2 (orientation day) and end either July 25 or August 8. If you will be out for a week or more during this time, when would you be gone?
**Week of June 21**

Who would serve as preceptor during your absence (name and credentials, please)?

**Vinh Nguyen, MA, JD**

NB: you may submit as many research opportunities as you like, but to be competitive you should probably limit yourself to no more than three.

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