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Call: PhD or Postdoctoral Fellows from Brazil interested in the theory and practice of participatory action research in public health in an international context, and its contribution to understanding change.

Scholarship Program: The University of Alberta is partnering with Science Without Borders to provide scholarships for Brazil PhD graduate students and Postdoctoral Fellows.

The scholarship covers the domestic Tuition Fee; Monthly Stipend (\$1,300 PhD; \$2,100 Postdoc), Moving Expense (one-time payment \$1,300 PhD; \$2,100 Postdoc), Health Insurance, and Airfare.

Website for more information on the scholarship application process:

<http://www.cienciasemfronteiras.gov.br/web/csf/home;jsessionid=D95E8DCDB6A9B20336363A6EA32A1E3F>

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Biography

As the new director of the Centre for Health Promotion Studies, Dr. Springett brings a wealth of experience from working in the United Kingdom (UK) and many other countries, including Sweden, Mexico and Kyrgyzstan. My background is in urban geography, but I have been working in the area of health and health promotion for nearly 25 years, coming to it through the World Health Organization's Healthy Cities Project.

For me, health is an ecological or holistic positive concept and requires appropriate approaches to research if we are truly to understand how to promote it at the individual, community and policy levels. I am committed to participatory action research (PAR) based on an ecological world view and a principles driven approach to research and knowledge development. This means working with people rather than on them and an eclectic and pragmatic approach to research methods, but with an interest in participatory methods, including visual methods and storytelling. More particularly, it means seeing learning, research/theory and action not as separate entities, but integrated processes of reflexive knowledge development in which all forms of knowledge are valued but also questioned.

To support this, I work with international partners to coordinate both the International Collaboration on Participatory Health Research (ICPHR) and the Collaborative Action Research Network (CARN). This position will work with international researchers from these two organizations (www.icphr.org). **Should you be interested in this opportunity, please send an email to the address listed above with your curriculum vitae by April 1st.**

Note: potential funding is based on the scholarship program mentioned in this call.