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The postdoctoral scholar will work under the supervision of Professor Sergio Rey and Professor Ran Wei in collaboration with CGS and UCR faculty. The successful candidate will have a Ph.D. in geography, computer science, statistics, urban planning, or a closely related field, as well as the potential or demonstrated ability to conduct independent quantitative research in geographic data science and possess familiarity with computational social science. Candidates with experience in geocomputation and geosimulation are highly desired and experience with distributed computing and/or parallel processing is a plus. Candidates with the potential or demonstrated ability to work within and contribute to a diverse campus environment are strongly encouraged to apply. The initial appointment will be for one year with the opportunity to extend pending positive performance reviews and the availability of funding. The positions are available starting June 1, 2020 and applications will be considered until the positions are filled.

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