Brigham and Women’s Hospital
Department of Pediatric Newborn Medicine
Intern/Volunteer

Description of Opportunity:
The Department of Pediatric Newborn Medicine at Brigham and Women’s Hospital is seeking a Student Intern/Volunteer with an interest in mental health and infant studies. The Intern will be part of The Developmental Risk and Cultural Resilience Program which focuses on the role of stress, mental health and culture on the mental and emotional health of children and families. The Intern will assist the team in running research participants in two studies focused on perinatal risks for child development.

Primary responsibilities will include:
• Running research participants (expectant women and infants) using psychophysiological equipment and computerized tasks
• Speaking with pregnant women and new mothers about research study opportunities
• Screening medical records to help determine participant eligibility
• Preparing study materials prior to research assessments
• Entering study data into database
• Working with research coordinator to submit study materials to the IRB
• Study recruitment related tasks such as developing recruitment material and promoting our studies at local conferences

Qualifications / Requirements:
• Majors in psychology, social work, family studies, or related concentration preferred
• Comfortable engaging with expectant women, mothers, and infants
• Familiarity with medical terminology and an interest in mental health
• Strong interpersonal skills with excellent verbal and written communication ability.
• Solid knowledge of MS Office
• Comfortable using lab-based software
• Ability to work independently and be self-directed
• Detail-oriented, organized and excellent time management skills

This internship involves extensive training on psychophysiological assessments (ECG) and recruitment strategies so applicants who can commit to 14-16 hours/week for a full year will be preferred. We accept interns at any time during the academic year. This position will be unpaid; however, candidates will have the opportunity to interact and collaborate with a variety of healthcare professionals and apply the skills gained from the classroom within a real-world healthcare setting.

How to Apply
Please send resume, cover letter, and the contact information of three references to Maria Henriksen at mhenriksen@bwh.harvard.edu. Include in your cover letter how many hours you will be able to commit.