The Mende-Siedlecki Lab at the University of Delaware (PI: Dr. Peter Mende-Siedlecki) is seeking a full-time lab manager to begin working in September 2018. This Research Associate I position requires a Bachelor’s degree in psychology, neuroscience, cognitive science, computer science, or a related field, as well as at least one year of related experience working or volunteering in a psychology or neuroscience lab (or any equivalent combination of education and/or experience).

The Mende-Siedlecki Lab is housed in the Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences at the University of Delaware. Research in the lab focuses on the dynamic neural and psychological mechanisms supporting social perception and social cognition. Our primary lines of work focus on a) how top-down factors like group membership shape the way we see and evaluate other people, and b) how we learn about and update impressions of other people over time. The lab employs a variety of methodological approaches towards studying these topics, including behavioral, neuroimaging, psychophysical, and computational modeling techniques.

Under the direction of the PI, the Research Associate will oversee the day-to-day activities of the lab (e.g., scheduling, managing finances, training volunteer RAs, maintaining the website), and will assist with various research-related duties (e.g., participant screening and recruitment, task and stimulus design, fMRI & behavioral data collection and processing, data analysis). The job will be ideal for motivated individuals interested in applying to graduate school in psychology or neuroscience in the future, as it will offer the opportunity to manage independent research projects that may result in future publications. Ultimately, a two-year commitment is strongly preferred. Undergraduate coursework in statistical analysis and some experience with statistical analysis software (e.g., SPSS, R) is required. Particularly strong applicants will have experience in programming (e.g., in MATLAB, Python, JavaScript, etc.), as well as experience with fMRI data collection and analysis (e.g., AFNI, FSL, SPM, etc.).

How to apply: Applicants should compose 1) a cover letter (detailing their experience, research interests, and technical expertise), 2) CV/resume, and 3) the contact information for three references, and upload these materials as one file to our posting hosted by the UD Jobs website. Please search under Staff jobs for the posting titled “Research Associate I - Psychological & Brain Sciences”, with the Job ID #105350.

For additional information about the position or our lab’s research, please visit our website (www.mendesiedleckilab.com), or contact Dr. Mende-Siedlecki (pmendesiedlecki@psych.udel.edu). Further details regarding the responsibilities and qualifications associated with this posting can be found in the posting on UD Jobs, as well. The deadline for application submissions is 4/5/2018.