The Department of Health Psychology in the School of Health Professions at the University of Missouri-Columbia (MU), seeks applicants for a Senior Research Associate with an expected start date of 7/4/2022. The appointment is for one (1) year with the option to renew for an additional year after the first, pending available funding. The Research Associate will support the activities of Dr. Andrew Kiselica’s research lab, which focuses on detecting early signs of cognitive decline in Alzheimer’s disease, understanding the links between stress and aging, and helping improve the lives of older adults through assistive technologies.

Primary responsibilities will include managing ongoing research studies, including submitting and managing IRB applications, scheduling and tracking participants, and collecting, managing, and analyzing data. The Research Associate will also likely gain experience with clinical assessment of older adults (in the context of research), in addition to having opportunities to assist with grant preparation and gain authorship on presentations and publications.

Qualified applicants should have a bachelor’s degree in psychology or a related field (degree must be conferred prior to the start date), a strong undergraduate GPA (>3.5), and prior research experience.

Candidates will be evaluated on experience with managing research responsibilities listed above, management skills, customer service skills, and ability to work with students/as part of a team.

Applications are to be submitted by sending a CV, cover letter, unofficial transcript, and two letters of recommendation (submitted separately via email by the letter writer) to Cynthia Mikula at mikulac@health.missouri.edu by 2/25/22. Interviews will occur in March with the goal of making an offer by 4/1/22.

The salary for the position is $38,480 ($3,206.67 per month). The Research Associate will also be provided with $2000 in professional development funds to attend a conference or pursue research training. This position is eligible for University benefits. The University offers a comprehensive benefits package, including medical, dental and vision plans, retirement, and educational fee discounts. For additional information on University benefits, please visit the Faculty & Staff Benefits website at http://www.umsystem.edu/totalrewards/benefits

The MU School of Health Professions (SHP) is the University of Missouri system’s only school of health professions and the state’s only public health program located on a health sciences campus. Its mission is to improve the health and well-being of others. Every day, SHP faculty, staff, and students work towards changing lives through the integration of teaching, service and discovery. https://healthprofessions.missouri.edu/about/

With programs in rehabilitation, diagnostic and imaging sciences, public health, and social work, graduates of the School of Health Professions fill critical roles in health care. The school is
comprised of eight departments and 13 disciplines, each with their own specialized accreditation processes. The school also hosts a satellite program of the University of Missouri-Kansas City College of Pharmacy.

Health professions account for more than 60 percent of the total U.S. health care workforce. Jobs in health professions are projected to grow at least through 2026, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The school is an important member of the University of Missouri Health System. Other members include the Sinclair School of Nursing, the School of Medicine, University Hospitals and Clinics and University Physicians.

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After careful consideration of COVID-19 virus trends and the overwhelming evidence of COVID-19 vaccine safety and effectiveness, the School of Medicine, along with MU Health Care, the Sinclair School of Nursing and the School of Health Professions, recently announced the decision to require COVID-19 vaccinations by Oct. 1, 2021, for all employees, unless granted a medical or religious exemption.
All new hires will be required to submit proof of vaccination prior to your start date. If you would like to request a medical or religious exemption, you must do so upon acceptance of employment so our team has time to review prior to your scheduled start date. You will not be allowed to begin work until you have submitted proof of vaccination or received an approved medical or religious exemption.

Thank you for helping us to create the safest environment possible for our colleagues, students and our patients by protecting yourself and others through COVID-19 vaccination.