

Research Assistant, The PEAR Institute

Overview

The PEAR Institute: Partnerships in Education and Resilience at McLean Hospital and Harvard Medical School creates and fosters evidence-based innovations in social-emotional learning (SEL) and Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) in youth-serving organizations to help all students succeed. PEAR provides trainings and assessment tools that inform educational programs and professionals about program quality in schools and afterschool settings to help bridge the resource gap in high poverty and underserved communities.

This position will work with the Director of The PEAR Institute with an emphasis on research and thought leadership at the interface between mental health and education, and supporting PEAR's innovative collaborations with schools and programs across the country.

This is a full-time position and a great opportunity for anyone interested in mental health, education and youth resiliency research and practice. The ideal candidate will have a background in research related to mental health, education or psychology, and an interest in applying that knowledge to practice, policy and publications, as well as social media skills. The position requires strong analytic, presentation, writing and communication skills.

Principal Duties and Responsibilities

Guided and supervised by the Director, the Coordinator will:

- Research, draft and edit white papers, research reports and other publications that highlight PEAR's work and research findings.
- Communicate effectively, orally and in writing, with PEAR staff, clients, and other evaluation stakeholders to provide information related to trainings, research projects and/or data collection.
- Perform literature reviews and create bibliographies for reports and papers.
- Research SEL- and STEM-focused topics for new practices and innovations.
- Assist with updating PEAR's web site and social media presence.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

Qualifications

- Bachelor's Degree (B.S. or B.A.) in Education, Social Sciences, or a related field
- Prefer some work experience but will consider recent graduates with relevant course or project work
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Experience and demonstrated skills related to the research and preparation of internal and external research reports, documents and briefs.
- A commitment to value diversity of thought, backgrounds, and perspectives.
- Commitment to social justice and passion for lifting up youth voice.
- Attention to detail, ability to show initiative and flexibility, meet deadlines, work independently and manage multiple priorities.

To Apply

Please apply with resume and cover letter to job number 3073306 online via the McLean Hospital jobs database at <https://partners.taleo.net/careersection/jobdetail.ftl?job=3073306&lang=en>