PSYCHOLOGY RESEARCH ASSISTANT/PROJECT COORDINATOR POSITION AT RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

We (Dr. Shireen Rizvi and Dr. Evan Kleiman) are seeking an experienced and highly-organized individual for a full-time project coordinator (PC) position with tasks comprised of activities across several studies in two labs. This is a 2-year appointment, with the second year contingent on renewal. The start date is sometime between July 1 and August 1, 2022.

Tasks in Dr. Rizvi’s lab are related to a large, federally funded, multisite treatment grant and other research activities in the Dialectical Behavior Therapy Clinic at Rutgers (DBT-RU; dbt.rutgers.edu). The primary aim of the treatment grant is to evaluate different treatment sequences for suicide ideation and suicidal behavior in 700 college students across four sites, with one site being the Rutgers Newark Counseling Center. Specific PC responsibilities include 1) assisting in development and maintenance of all study protocols; 2) recruiting participants and serving as a liaison for all study staff; and 3) organizing and overseeing data collection, data entry. Additional DBT-RU activities include 1) data entry and oversight; 2) monitoring participant assessment compliance; 3) maintaining IRB approvals; and 4) conducting literature searches and collecting scientifically and empirically supported relevant data to assist in manuscript, grant, and conference presentation preparation.

Tasks in Dr. Kleiman’s lab (www.kleimanlab.org) are related to several studies funded by NIMH and other sources that focus on using technology (e.g., smartphone-based real-time monitoring, wearable physiological monitors) to predict and prevent suicidal thoughts and behaviors among adolescents and adults. The roles on these projects will include study coordination, acting as a liaison between study sites and study therapists, and overseeing day-to-day data collection/management. Details on specific studies can be found at https://kleimanlab.org/research/current-projects/

The PC will receive substantial training in behavioral treatment theories and methods; suicidology; participant recruitment and retention; data management; general research administration; and preparation of grants, manuscripts, and IRB protocols. This position offers excellent experiences for individuals seeking to apply to clinical doctoral programs or other related programs. Ours teams have a strong track record of preparing PCs well for these programs.

Applicants should have a Bachelors’ or Masters’ degree in psychology or a related field. The position requires previous experience working in psychology research as well as skills in word processing, excel, and SPSS. We especially value strong interpersonal skills and ability to work independently.

If you are interested in this position, please apply through the Rutgers University job portal at https://jobs.rutgers.edu/postings/158040. Required elements include a cover letter, CV/Resume, and list of professional references. Additional inquiries may be sent to SLRizvi@gsapp.rutgers.edu or evan.kleiman@rutgers.edu.
Initial review of applications will occur on April 11, 2022 and will continue until position is filled. Thank you for your interest!