

The Clinical Affective Neuroscience & Development Lab at Yale, directed by Dr. Dylan Gee, is seeking a full-time research assistant to begin in summer 2020 (start date flexible). The lab uses behavioral, psychophysiological, and neuroimaging techniques to study early-life adversity and the development of anxiety and stress-related disorders across childhood and adolescence. We are especially interested in typical and atypical trajectories of brain development related to emotional behavior, the effects of early-life stress, and translating knowledge from basic science to optimize clinical treatments for youth. The laboratory is located within the Department of Psychology, which provides an excellent research and training environment, and has close ties with the Department of Psychiatry and the Yale Child Study Center.

Primary responsibilities will include screening and recruiting participants; acquiring data (behavioral, psychophysiological, MRI); managing and analyzing data; working with children, adolescents, and their parents in a research setting; administering clinical assessments; assisting in experimental paradigm development; and managing the lab and performing administrative duties (e.g., assisting with IRB protocols and grants).

Requirements include a Bachelor's degree in psychology, neuroscience, or related field; interest in clinical developmental neuroscience; strong statistical and technical skills (e.g., R, MATLAB, Python); and excellent organizational, interpersonal, communication, and time management skills. Competitive candidates will have prior research experience with children and adolescents, neuroimaging experience (e.g., fMRI data analysis in FSL, AFNI, or a similar platform), and familiarity with IRB protocol submissions. A 2-year commitment is required.

This position is ideal for those interested in pursuing a Ph.D. in clinical or developmental psychology or neuroscience. The research assistant will participate in all aspects of the research process, have opportunities to work on a variety of exciting research projects, and gain experience working with both typically developing and clinical populations. The ideal candidate will likely make intellectual contributions to the lab's research, which may result in opportunities to co-author manuscripts, and will benefit from the vibrant scientific community at Yale.

Applicants should send a cover letter (describing research experiences, interests, and long-term goals), CV, and contact information for 2-3 references to Dylan Gee at dylan.gee@yale.edu.