Announcing a Research Fellow/Lab Manager Position

Professor Jennifer Lerner’s lab (Harvard Kennedy School, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA) welcomes enthusiastic, motivated, and conscientious individuals to apply for a Research Fellow/Lab Manager position to start in Spring/Summer 2022.

The Research Fellow/Lab Manager will work closely with Professor Lerner, postdoctoral fellows, graduate students, and undergraduate students in a highly collaborative environment. The Research Fellow/Lab Manager will also contribute to a rich array of research projects at the intersection of emotion, decision science, and public policy.

The Lerner Lab pursues research at the interface of decision science, social psychology, and public policy. We seek to provide empirical content for the design of effective public policies that improve human health and wellbeing, employing a wide array of methodologies including online experiments and in-person bio-behavioral studies. We are part of the Behavioral Decision Science research initiative at the Shorenstein Center on Media, Politics and Public Policy.

This position is ideal for motivated college graduates interested in pursuing graduate school in psychology, decision science, data science, public policy, or higher education. This position will be posted as a one-year position. Ideally, however, the position would be held for a minimum of two years; renewal contingent upon effective performance. This is a full-time benefits-eligible position.

Job-Specific Responsibilities

Primary responsibilities include:

- Contributing to research paradigm development
- Conducting literature reviews
- Creating graphs and charts
- Assisting in the development of teaching materials
- Organizing lab meetings
- Preparing grant reports
- Managing day-to-day operations of research and teaching
- Creating and monitoring Institutional Review Board protocols and applications
The role can be tailored in certain ways to align with the Research Fellow/Lab Manager’s specific interests.

**Basic Qualifications**

- Bachelor’s degree in psychology, decision science, statistics, economics, government, or another related field.
- Strong work ethic
- Ability to work independently and in groups
- Eagerness to learn

**Additional Qualifications and Skills**

- Excellent attention to detail
- Prior experience conducting or supporting research
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Exemplary written and oral communication
- Ability to flexibly switch between teamwork and individual work.
- Completion of at least one undergraduate level statistics course
- Experience with at least one software program for statistical analysis (e.g., SPSS, R, Excel, Stata, etc.)
-Ability to create accurate charts and graphs in MS Power Point

**How to apply**

Please email Ms. Klara Kabadian (Klara_kabadian@hks.harvard.edu) with your resume/CV and cover letter. Your resume/CV should include your cumulative GPA in college and (if applicable) grad school. In your cover letter, please be sure to include (a) why this position interests you, (b) when you might be available to start, and (c) names and contact information for at least three references. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis as they come in.

**Additional Information**

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