Yale Psychology & Psychiatry Research Assistant Position for a study on adolescents at-risk for depression

We are looking for a highly motivated research assistant for a unique project combining different methods (fMRI, experience-sampling, behavioral observation, & hormonal measures) to study emotion dysregulation in adolescents at high (vs. low) risk for depression. The project is a collaboration between Yale's Affect Regulation & Cognition Lab (PI: Jutta Joormann) and Yale’s Clinical and Affective Neuroscience Lab (PI: Hedy Kober). Hiring is contingent upon pending grant funding..

The RA will work closely with the PIs and post doc, participating in all stages of research, including:

1. Recruitment and screening of study participants (healthy and/or with psychopathology) as well as carrying out study sessions;
2. Data collection, organization, cleaning and analysis (self-report, behavioral, clinical, physiological, hormonal, and neuroimaging);
3. Administrative duties associated with day to day study management (e.g. IRB);
4. Programming/editing computerized tasks (e.g. E-Prime)/online questionnaires (e.g. Qualtrics)/lab wiki;
5. Managing undergraduate student researchers.

A great attitude, excellent communication skills, ability to work effectively in a team, take initiative, and lead are highly desired. Opportunities to present at conferences and to write papers are commensurate with skills and experience. In-depth training and personalized mentoring will be provided on an ongoing basis.

Based on past RAs, this position will likely be enjoyable as well as educational and will serve as an ideal springboard for graduate school in psychology (experimental or clinical) or neuroscience.

Start date: January 1 2020 is preferred (pending funding; will consider later dates for the right candidate). A two-year commitment is required.

Required Background: BA or BS in psychology, neuroscience or a related field (strong applications from candidates with other backgrounds will be considered); Research experience in a related area (with human participants); Excellent organizational, communication, and time-management skills; Experience with data analysis and statistics; Strong attention to detail as well as ability to work independently and in a team are needed.

Preferred Background: Psychological/human research experience in an emotion/clinical/developmental/cog neuro lab; Specifically, experimental design, programming, data collection, and analysis. Neuroimaging analysis experience and statistics experience are a big plus. Experience with R and/or SAS a big big big plus. Experience with children is preferred.

TO APPLY: For questions and applications, please contact reuma.gadassipolack@yale.edu. Please include ‘Depression Risk RA Posting’ in the subject line.