

Research Assistant Positions at the Clinical Research Laboratory
Faculty Supervisor: Dr. Jill Hooley

We study self-injurious thoughts and behaviors in using a variety of methods and measures. The goal of our research is to understand causal mechanisms related to both nonsuicidal (e.g., cutting) and suicidal self-injury to help decrease these behaviors. We conduct experimental studies examining relationships among self-criticism, pain, pain-offset relief, and related variables using both in person and online platforms.

What do RAs generally do?

- Work closely with a graduate student to gain hands-on research experience
- Recruit and schedule participants
- Test participants in person
- Help manage participants in a longitudinal study conducted exclusively online
- Code and enter data
- Aid in the design of new studies

What are the requirements?

- Complete 9 hours of lab work per week for 2 semesters
- Attend weekly lab meeting if possible (times vary)

What is our ideal RA like?

- Interest in severe psychopathology
- High levels of motivation and conscientiousness
- Comfortable discussing sensitive topics
- Previous research experience is preferred, but not necessary

What else?

- Gain experience conducting longitudinal, clinical research online
- Gain experience conducting complex experimental methods
- We are accepting volunteers and course credit

If you're interested, please contact Kathryn Fox (kfox@g.harvard.edu) including a paragraph about your research interests and experiences and your resume or curriculum vitae.