

The Youth Mental Health Lab – Volunteer Summer Research Assistants

The Youth Mental Health Lab at Harvard University is currently seeking volunteer research assistants to work on several studies with Professor John Weisz and graduate student, Mei Yi Ng, in summer 2014. This position is ideal for students who are thinking about graduate school, particularly in clinical psychology or child and adolescent mental health.

The studies aim to answer the question: How do psychotherapies work for the disorders for which children and adolescents most commonly seek treatment? That is, what are the specific change mechanisms and processes that lead to improvement in outcomes for children and adolescents with anxiety, depression, disruptive behavior, or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder?

Responsibilities may include literature searches of child and adolescent psychotherapy studies, screening and coding of studies, data entry and cleaning, data management and analysis, preparation and organization of bibliographic information, formatting and preparation of manuscripts, and coding of therapy tapes and questionnaires.

Research assistants should be available work at least 16 hours per week for roughly 12 weeks, with some flexibility to reschedule hours for particular weeks. Previous research experience or experience with statistical software is a plus, though not necessary.

Applicants should send the following to Mei Yi Ng at myng@fas.harvard.edu:

1. a resume or CV (including overall GPA)
2. a list of all classes taken and grades received
3. a description (max. 1 page) of relevant experiences, interests, goals, and skills working with data management/statistical software
4. possible start date and end date, no. of lab hours per week, times/dates when you will not be able to work