

# Gain Research Experience!

Two positions are open at The **Affirm Lab** (PI: Maggi Price, PhD) at the Boston College School of Social Work: **Project Coordinator** (paid, full-time) and **Research Assistant** (unpaid, part-time). Join our dedicated team and gain invaluable research experience while striving to enhance support to youth with stigmatized identities.

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## Research Assistant (RA)

This is a **part-time** 12+ hour/week **unpaid** position; however, there is a strong possibility that the position will become paid if you excel in this role. The position can be flexible in timing and scheduling. Candidates who commit more than 1 academic year will be prioritized. Boston College Sociology students can also use this position to receive credit for the Sociology Readings and Research course.



### RA Responsibilities:

- Support with **document preparation** and formatting
- Use technology-based **research tools** (e.g., Zotero, Qualtrics)
- Conduct **literature reviews**
- Assist with **interviews/focus groups**

### Strong RA Applicants will have:

- Strong **interest and experience** working in a research lab
- **Willingness to grow** and receive direct feedback
- **Time management** skills and the ability to communicate evolving priorities to larger team
- **Effective communication** skills
- Experience with critical thinking, **problem solving**, and independent learning
- **Strong interest** in working with LGBT+ youth, human-centered design methods, and/or macro social work

### Benefits include:

- **Opportunities for co-authorship** on papers and presentations
- **Mentoring** from Dr. Price (PI), including weekly individual/group supervision
- **Support** for PhD applications and career advancement
- Working with a **warm** and **supportive** team

**Application Instructions:** To apply, please send the following to [AffirmLabBC@gmail.com](mailto:AffirmLabBC@gmail.com):

1. **CV or resume** highlighting research experience you may have
2. **Cover letter** describing your 1) qualifications (reference list above) 2) reasons for applying, and 3) long-term professional interests
3. **Writing sample** (e.g., course paper, un/published manuscript)
4. **Transcript** (unofficial version acceptable)
5. **2-3 Letters of reference** (if available) or contact information for letters of reference

**Deadline:** November 1, 2023; however, early applications are strongly encouraged.

**Start Date:** As soon as possible