

Heckers Lab Research Assistant Posting: March 2023

Clinically Oriented RA Position

Full time research assistant needed to join an early psychosis laboratory at Vanderbilt University Medical Center using neuroimaging and cognitive testing to understand brain dysfunction in psychosis. Under direct supervision, the Research Assistant will be responsible for recruiting research subjects into various clinical research studies and assisting investigators in the collection and analysis of study data. Specific duties include performing psychiatric diagnostic interviews, administering cognitive tests, and carrying out neuroimaging study protocols. Additional responsibilities include database management, analysis of behavioral and brain imaging data, and assisting with manuscript preparation. The ideal candidate should be highly motivated and capable of working independently. Individuals interested in mental health and psychosis/schizophrenia, the biological basis of mental disorders, neuroscience, and neuroimaging are especially encouraged to apply. The position requires a high level of interpersonal skills, organization, attention to detail, and problem solving abilities. Minimum qualifications include a Bachelors degree in psychology or a related field (i.e. neuroscience). Experience in a clinical research setting is highly desirable. Working knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Powerpoint) is essential. Experience using the Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS) is preferred. Training in diagnostic interviewing methods, cognitive testing, and neuroimaging data analysis will be provided. Please send resume to: kristan.armstrong@vumc.org.