

Lab Coordinator: Developmental Psychopathology Lab (PI: Isaac T. Petersen, Ph.D.)**Job Posting:**

<https://developmental-psychopathology.lab.uiowa.edu/hiring>

Position Specific Summary:

The Developmental Psychopathology Lab at the University of Iowa (Director: Dr. Isaac Petersen) is looking for a full-time research lab coordinator to assist in research studies examining the mechanisms in the development of externalizing behavior problems (e.g., aggression, conduct problems), self-regulation, and school readiness in young children, with special emphasis on neural mechanisms (EEG/ERP). The lab's prior four lab coordinators (including the current lab coordinator) have been admitted to Ph.D. programs in Clinical Psychology! Responsibilities include participant recruitment and retention, scheduling, data management and analysis, coordination of research assistants, conducting batteries of neural and behavioral testing with children, and performing other research and administrative tasks as coordinator of the research team. Qualifications include a bachelor's degree in psychology or a related discipline, substantial research or work experience with young children, and experience using software such as Microsoft Word, Excel, and Access. Experience with R is highly desirable but not required. Experience with EEG/ERP is desirable but not required. Experience with computer software such as REDCap and E-Prime is desirable but not required. We are looking for someone who can commit to the position for 2 years. The initial appointment will be for one year beginning in Spring or Summer 2025, with the possibility of renewal for a 2nd year depending on performance and available funding.

The ideal candidate would have –

- Bachelor's degree in psychology, neuroscience, public health, social work, or related discipline, or an equivalent combination of education and progressively responsible experience.
- Minimum of 6 months – 1 year of research experience working in a laboratory.
- Ability to work 40 hours per week. Typically scheduled between 9am–5pm Monday through Friday but may be required to work outside these hours (early morning/evenings/weekends) for the purpose of working with participants.
- Ability to commit to the position for at least 2 years.
- Ability to supervise undergraduate research assistants.
- Comfort with independently navigating resources to solve problems and learn new programs, materials, and techniques.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills; ability to speak clearly enough to be understood by young children.
- Attention to detail and high level of organization, especially for scheduling participants.
- Capable of independent, self-directed work.
- Experience working with young children (2–7-years of age).
- Ability to work well with young children and their parents, and help them feel at ease. Able to handle situations when children get upset, able to quickly calm and soothe children.
- Database management and data entry skills.
- Willingness and aptitude to learn R.
- Strong interpersonal skills, including demonstrated experience with professional communication and conflict management.
- Must be a US citizen or permanent resident to qualify for the Postbaccalaureate Research Intern Program.

The starting salary is \$36,500 and comes with benefits (<https://research.uiowa.edu/post-baccalaureate-research-internships>). This position provides a fantastic preparation for future graduate and research careers. In addition to being a context for learning invaluable research skills, it offers opportunities for co-authorships on publications and presenting work at conferences.

Application Instructions:

Please fill out the online application (including resume/CV, a letter of interest, writing sample, and transcripts) at the following link: https://uiowa.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_4SFCZbFsJKT1GCx

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. There is no application deadline. The position will start as soon as possible; ideally no later than May or early June 2025. If you have questions, please contact: devpsy-lab@uiowa.edu