

Lab Manager in the Spectrum of Psychopathology and Affective Neuroscience (SPAN) Lab
at Virginia Tech

Lab Manager Position:

Applications are invited for a full-time lab manager position in the Spectrum of Psychopathology and Affective Neuroscience (SPAN) lab directed by Dr. Adrienne Romer, in the Department of Psychology at Virginia Tech. The lab studies the etiology, risk markers, and development of psychopathology using transdiagnostic, dimensional, and neuroscience-informed approaches. We combine clinical, cognitive-affective, and multi-modal neuroimaging (structural and functional MRI) data to examine transdiagnostic risk markers of psychopathology at multiple levels of analysis. For more information, see our lab website: <https://www.romer-spanlab.com/>

The individual who fills this position will be involved in all aspects of the research process, with duties including (but not limited to):

- Coordinating daily lab operations and maintaining study protocols and lab resources (website, manuals, standard operating procedures, documentation)
- Collecting, entering, managing, and ensuring quality of clinical, behavioral, neurocognitive, and MRI data
- Recruiting, screening, scheduling, consenting, and running participants through study protocols, including MRI scanning
- Supervising undergraduate research assistants
- Assisting with IRB management, grant applications, data processing and analysis, and manuscript preparation.

Required qualifications include: BA/BS in psychology, neuroscience, or related field; one year of human subjects research experience; demonstrated computer skills, and proficiency with MS Word, Excel, and PowerPoint or equivalent; demonstrated organizational, time-management, interpersonal, problem-solving, and communication skills and attention to detail; willingness to be trained and certified to conduct MRI scans.

Training for all aspects of the position, including MRI certification, will be provided. This is an excellent position for candidates interested in gaining research experience prior to graduate school in psychology, neuroscience, or related fields.

To apply, please send a cover letter describing interest in and fit with the position, CV/Resume, and contact information for two references (no need to submit letters) to aromer@vt.edu.

The position is expected to start in early Summer 2026. Consideration of applications will begin immediately and on a rolling basis and will end when the position is filled.