



The Rhode Island Methods to Improve Diagnostic Assessment and Services (MIDAS) project, directed by Mark Zimmerman, M.D., is looking to hire research assistants (RAs) for an unpaid summer internship, with a potential start date of May 2026. Candidates should be undergraduate students with a background in psychology. In the SCP outpatient psychiatry and intensive outpatient services, we have integrated research assessments into clinical practice. The MIDAS project is one of the largest clinical epidemiological studies using semi-structured diagnostic interviews ever conducted, and we have published more than 300 papers from our database.

Interning research assistant responsibilities include:

- 1) Observing Structured Clinical Interviews for the DSM (SCID) diagnostic interviews.
- 2) Writing psychiatric clinical reports.
- 3) Conducting various research-related tasks, including entering data, data cleaning, etc.
- 4) Assisting with independent research projects using available data.

Preferred research assistant qualifications include:

- 1) Background in psychology, neuroscience, or related fields.
- 2) A history of relevant coursework (e.g., abnormal psychology).
- 3) A strong academic record.
- 4) Prior research experience in psychology or related fields is valued but not expected.
- 6) Strong formal/research-oriented writing skills.
- 7) An interest in pursuing a graduate education in psychology or medicine.

To apply, please email Matthew Snyder (msnyder@scp-ri.com) a cover letter (maximum 200 words) including the following information:

- 1) Undergraduate major/s
- 2) Psychology and cumulative GPAs

- 3) Descriptions of research and clinical experience.
- 4) Descriptions of education and career goals.

Additional information:

- 1) The position requires a minimum two-month commitment.
- 2) The weekly time commitment is flexible and will be discussed with potential applicants during the interview process.
- 3) The position can be completed fully virtually or in a hybrid format. We are located in Cranston, Rhode Island.

For additional information or questions about the position, please contact Matthew Snyder, B.S. (msnyder@scp-ri.com).