

## TWO PROJECT COORDINATOR/RESEARCH ASSISTANT POSITIONS AT VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

The Body, Mind & Brain Lab (Director: Sohee Park) in the Department of Psychology at Vanderbilt University invites applications for 2 full-time project coordinator/research assistant positions to work on an NIMH-funded study that aims to elucidate the roles of bodily self-disturbance, interpersonal distance regulation and social disconnection in schizophrenia-spectrum conditions, using behavioral experiments in immersive virtual reality and neuroimaging.

This position is ideal for an individual who has completed (or is about to complete) a bachelor's degree in psychology, cognitive/social neuroscience, or a related field, and is planning to attend graduate programs in clinical psychology or cognitive/social neuroscience. The ideal applicant will have had some prior research experience in clinical psychology and/or cognitive neuroscience and some coursework in statistics. The start date is flexible and negotiable (Fall of 2022 – Spring/Summer of 2023) but a 2-year commitment is strongly preferred.

Responsibilities include:

- Managing and coordinating daily lab activities.
- Recruitment, scheduling, and behavioral testing of participants.
- Working with collaborators in Computer Science to implement tasks.
- Assisting with fMRI scans.
- Data archiving and management.
- Assisting with IRB.
- Clinical Assessments (after training).

Preference for candidates with some of these skills/experiences :

- Prior experience in working with people with severe mental illness, especially schizophrenia.
- Ability to work as a team.
- Time management and organizational skills.
- Flexibility, willingness, and motivation to contribute to all aspects of the project.
- Good writing skills.
- Some knowledge of statistics.
- Some experience in clinical assessments and/or virtual reality-based research.
- Some coding experience in MATLAB, Python, R or Unity.
- Some fMRI data analysis experience.

These positions come with excellent opportunities for strengthening one's research portfolio and exploring interdisciplinary collaborations. Research staff are encouraged and fully supported to present their work at major conferences (e.g., SRP, SIRS) and co-author manuscripts.

Salary will be commensurate with experience and includes full benefits. Vanderbilt University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Review of applications will take place on a rolling basis until these positions are filled.

To learn more about our work, please visit <https://lab.vanderbilt.edu/body-mind-brain-lab/> and email [sohee.park@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:sohee.park@vanderbilt.edu) with questions. Dr. Park will be available for an informal meeting at SRP in Philadelphia in September.