

## **Research Assistant (lab manager) position open at University of Maryland**

The University of Maryland Developmental Social Cognitive Neuroscience Lab directed by Dr. Elizabeth Redcay ([www.dscn.umd.edu](http://www.dscn.umd.edu)) is seeking a full-time Research Assistant (formal title: Faculty Specialist) beginning July 1, 2023. This position is supported by a grant examining biopsychosocial predictors of loneliness in autistic and non-autistic adolescents. Our methods include functional and structural MRI, behavioral measures, and experience sampling methods. We encourage applicants with a background in psychology, neuroscience, human development, communication, business/management, or related to apply.

Applicants must have strong organizational and interpersonal skills, enjoy working with youth and communicating with families and undergraduates. The ideal applicant will also have experience with data management tools (e.g., REDCap), basic programming (R, python), excellent interpersonal and multi-tasking abilities, and experience working with children, adolescents, or adults on the autism spectrum and their families as well as enthusiasm for planning and participating in local community outreach events.

The lab manager is responsible for recruitment, outreach, and communicating with participants, coordinating meeting spaces, organizing lab meeting times, and general lab organization. Responsibilities also include data collection and management of MRI, behavioral, and experience sampling data with children and adults with and without autism. The lab manager will also train and supervise undergraduate research assistants and manage IRB protocols and data archiving. The position may involve MRI operator training on the 3T Siemens scanner on UMD campus. There may be opportunities for presenting data at conferences and co-authoring publications.

Salary will be competitive commensurate with experience and includes health benefits. Application review will begin immediately. This is a 2-year position with possibility of renewal contingent on performance and funding each 12 months.

To apply please email your application to Paige Munshell ([pmunshel@umd.edu](mailto:pmunshel@umd.edu)). Application materials should include a cover letter detailing qualifications and interest, CV (with GPA), relevant coursework or transcript, and (at least) 2 references who can provide letters upon request.

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