Research Assistant in the Mind & Morality Lab at Brown University

Job Description:

The Mind & Morality Lab, directed by Dr. Julia Marshall, investigates children's social cognition. The lab is especially interested in understanding how children learn to cooperate with one another. We work with children from around age 5 up until 12 in laboratory, public, and school settings in addition to working with adults through online data collection platforms.

The Research Assistant's responsibilities will be multi-fold. First, the Research Assistant (RA) will be responsible for coordinating and conducting research with children. This will involve managing a database of families and recruiting families to participate in laboratory studies. Second, the position will also involve reaching out to schools, coordinating school visits, and maintaining relationships with these schools. Third, the RA will help with lab-related tasks, such as administrative duties, performing statistical analyses, developing lab presentations, and recruiting and managing undergraduate research assistants.

This position will allow for independent research on the lab's research topics under the supervision of Dr. Marshall.

This is a 100% grant funded and fixed-term position for one year with the possibility of renewal depending on the funding source.

Education and Experience

- Bachelor of Science or Arts in psychology, cognitive science, computer science, or related field is required and 1 – 2 years of related research experience or an equivalent combination of education and experience.
- A strong background in conducting statistical analyses in R and/or Python, and computer programming or web development skills are strongly preferred.
- Strong organizational and interpersonal skills
- An ability to work independently and with a team
- Takes initiative
- Strong attention to detail and an interest in working with children.
- Very responsible, good time management skills
- Administrative experience and experience working with children is preferred
- Must be comfortable interacting with children of all ages, with undergraduate students, and with parents and community members
- Demonstrated ability to support a community of diverse perspectives and cultures in an inclusive environment.

Additional physical demands and working conditions:

- Valid Driver's License preferred for participant recruitment and testing
- Flexible work hours but must be able to work on some evenings and weekends.
- The incumbent may have the opportunity for international travel for data collection opportunities.

All offers of employment are contingent upon a criminal background check and education verification satisfactory to Brown University.

Why Brown?

Brown University is a leading research university distinct for its student-centered learning and deep sense of purpose. Our students, faculty, and staff are driven by the idea that their work will impact the world.

Brown University offers a flexible work/life balance; summer hours, winter break, and a comprehensive Benefits package including time off, annual paid holidays; benefits offerings including health, dental, vision, tuition assistance, retirement, wellness, employee discounts, and more.

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