Job Summary

Requisition Number: 41002

Job Title: STAFF RESEARCH ASSOCIATE I

Working Title: Staff Research Associate I

Salary: \$25.75 - \$30.71 hourly

Job Type: Career

Department Name: 0875-PSYCHOLOGY

Department Website URL: https://www.psych.ucla.edu/

A reliable, highly organized, and independent individual is sought for a full-time Staff Research Associate (SRA) Position in the Brain and Body Lab (BABLab) and Social Affective Neuroscience and Development Lab (SAND Lab), in the UCLA Department of Psychology, under the joint supervision of the Principal Investigators Dr. Bridget Callaghan and Dr. Jennifer Silvers. The SRA will be responsible for coordinating and conducting a research study on the effects of education and stress on brain health.

The BABLab and SAND Labs study how early experiences shape physical and mental health outcomes. We utilize behavioral, fMRI, and health-related measures (e.g., microbiome and inflammation) to better understand phenomena related to stress, brain function, cognition, and emotion.

The role of the SRA will involve implementing experiments, programming experimental tasks and questionnaire data collection software, recruiting and scheduling participants, running research sessions, and analyzing data. The SRA will also play an integral role in overseeing day-to-day study operations, which includes maintaining research equipment, overseeing IRB protocols, planning and scheduling events and research meetings, maintaining and analyzing data, and helping to supervise undergraduate research assistants. In addition to supporting the lab's functioning, the ideal SRA will have an opportunity to contribute creatively to research projects, work closely and productively with other lab members, and co-author academic papers and poster presentations.

Percentage of Time: 100

Shift Start: 8:00 am

Shift End: 5:00 pm

Qualifications for Position

Job Summary Statement:

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Qualifications Required/Preferred

Bachelor's degree in Psychology, neuroscience, cognitive science or related field, or an equivalent combination of education and experience is required.

Excellent interpersonal skills for interacting with study participants as well as with other laboratory members.

Excellent oral and written communication skills for communicating with research participants, representing the lab publicly, as well as when writing (e.g., updating the website, IRBs, scientific publications).

Excellent organization skills and attention to detail required for adherence to study protocols, managing the lab, maintaining research equipment, curating database.

Strong prior research experience in a lab setting within Psychology or related field.

Strong general computing skills (e.g., Microsoft Office Suite) in both Mac and PC).

Understanding of lab research methods.

Ability to effectively prioritize, multitask, and manage co-occurring deadlines, projects, and team members, and to display adaptive and responsive decision making and problem-solving skills.

Ability to use standard office equipment, including multi-line telephones, recording equipment, and scanners.

Statistical background and basic competence in statistical programming (R, SPSS).

Programming skills in at least one language (e.g. R, Python, MATLAB).

Demonstrated ability to maintain professionalism and good decision making when confronted with difficult people or situations, either on the telephone or in person.

Demonstrated ability to handle confidential materials with discretion.

Experience with neuroimaging data acquisition and analysis, particularly FSL.

Prior interest in, or experience with, working with developmental, or psychiatric, or special population groups.

Knowledge of payment processing systems. (Cash-net and PCI).

Knowledge of forms and submission procedures to obtain research approval from the UCLA Institutional Review Board and Office for the Protection of Human Subjects.

Spanish bilingual.

MRI scanner operation.

MRI preprocessing and analysis.

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Additional Posting Information

Bargaining Unit: RX-Research Support Professionals

Application Deadline: 03-09-2024

External Posting Date:

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Special Instructions:

Contact information:

Number of Positions:

Special Employment Designations/ Requirements Per UC Policy

Conflict of Interest: N/A

Critical: Continued employment contingent upon completion of satisfactory

background investigation.

Driving Record: N/A

E-Verify Check:

Certain positions funded by federal contracts/subcontracts requires UCLA to notify job applicants that an E-Verify check will be conducted and the successful candidate must pass the E-Verify check.

No Response

More Information

CANRA:

Is this position designated as a mandatory No reporter under CANRA?

Other Special Employment Requirements:

Position is subject to performance standards and other requirements of the University wide Police Policies and Administrative Procedures.

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