Research Coordinator Position
Stress and Development Lab
Harvard University

An experienced, independent, and highly-organized individual is sought for a full-time Research Coordinator position in the Stress and Development Laboratory at Harvard University Psychology Department, run by Katie McLaughlin, PhD. The position will begin in late spring or early summer 2021. Our research examines the impact of environmental experience on children’s development. Most of our studies are focused on identifying developmental mechanisms linking adverse environmental experiences to the onset of psychopathology.

Under the supervision of Dr. McLaughlin, the individual in this position will be involved in managing an active research lab with several large grants and participate in many aspects of the research process, including recruitment of children and adolescents into research, preparation of IRB applications, data collection from children and caregivers, supervision of volunteer research assistants, data management, programming behavioral tasks, and maintenance of a database for participant recruitment and tracking. These duties will primarily focus on either an intensive repeated-measures fMRI study examining dynamic changes in emotion, behavior, and brain function following exposure to stress in adolescents. Data collection for this study involves acquisition of psychophysiology and MRI data in addition to assessments of mental health and exposure to stress and adversity.

We strive to provide enriching opportunities for all trainees, including those from backgrounds traditionally under-represented in psychology. Please see the Join Us page on our lab website (https://sdlab.fas.harvard.edu/) for more details on our lab’s commitment to Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging.

Duties and Responsibilities:
- Recruitment and screening of participants
- Data collection with children, adolescents, and caregivers in multi-modal studies involving psychophysiology, neuroimaging, clinical interviews, ecological momentary assessment, passive mobile sensing (e.g. Fitbits, screen time, call/text data) and mental health assessments
- Supervise a team of research assistants in data collection and data management
- Prepare IRB applications
- Program behavioral tasks
- Clean and organize data for analysis
- Maintain databases for participant recruitment and tracking
- General administrative duties to maintain the workings of the laboratory

Qualifications:
- Bachelor’s degree in a relevant academic area
- Experience working with children and adolescents (e.g. data collection or clinical experience) is preferred
- Experience with task presentation software or programming experience (e.g., Psychopy, Eprime, R, Python, Javascript) is preferred but not required
Experience in collecting and/or analyzing neuroimaging data (i.e., MRI, fMRI, DTI) and comfort working in a command-line environment (e.g., Linux) is preferred but not required.

Please click the link below to apply!

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If you have any further questions please feel free to reach out to our lab at sdlab@fas.harvard.edu.

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