



Advanced Undergraduate Internship: Autism Concentration

Job Description

Each academic year, up to three BU students are selected for the Advanced Undergraduate Internship. The Center for Autism Research Excellence (CARE) partners with the BMC Autism Program to offer an internship that combines research and clinical experience. This internship is a specialized Autism-focused program for undergraduates that want to gain both research and clinical skills.

The qualified candidate will be a BU undergraduate majoring in psychology, child development, social work, human behavior or a related field. He or she will be able to commit to working a total of ten hours per week for the duration of the academic year (fall and spring semester) and be able to work 5 hours per week at CARE and 5 hours per week at BMC.

As an intern at CARE, you will complete a range of tasks that include: data entry, transcription of natural language samples, assisting in the cognitive-behavioral testing of participants with and without ASD, coding data sets and other administrative activities. In order to track the skills you have developed during your internship, we ask you to keep logbooks of your progress on your work. This is a great resume-builder and will help you keep track of the skills you have acquired during your internship..

The BMC Autism Program is a multidimensional family support program. Student interns have various roles including; supporting staff in executing family referrals; participating in development of trainings and workshops; helping to manage an extensive in-clinic and online family resource library; participating in community outreach initiatives and assisting program staff and providers in additional projects as identified.

Qualifications

- Current undergraduate student in psychology, child development, social work, human behavior, or related fields.
- Comfort and/or experience working with individuals and groups from diverse backgrounds, disciplines, and communities.
- Excellent analytical, problem-solving, communication, and time-management skills.
- Ability to effectively contribute within a team setting.
- Capacity and willingness to learn about Autism Spectrum Disorder and related issues faced by families navigating the diagnosis, as well as associated community based agencies, programs, resources and supports, under the mentoring of the site supervisor and BMC Autism Program staff.

Preferred Skills and Abilities

- Prior professional work or personal experience with an individual impacted by Autism Spectrum Disorder

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