

SUMMER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM WITH THE BOSTON COLLEGE COOPERATION LAB

Each summer, we have a research internship that is open to students from Boston College and other institutions. The Cooperation Lab at Boston College directed by Dr. Katherine McAuliffe is seeking motivated, reliable, and enthusiastic summer research assistants for our 2021 Summer Internship. Research in the lab focuses on the development of cooperative abilities in children, with a particular focus on how children develop a sense of fairness.

Internship Description: Summer RAs will gain experience with all stages of the research process, including recruiting families, collecting data, analyzing data, and discussing results. Each summer RA will be paired with a graduate student, post-doctoral fellow, or lab coordinator mentor for the duration of the summer, and have a main project.

In addition, RAs will attend weekly lab meetings with other undergraduates, graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, the principal investigator, and lab coordinators to discuss ongoing and key research in the field of psychology. Intermittent professional development and other seminars will also occur, such as data analysis workshops (e.g., R) and panels on applying to graduate school.

COVID-19: Should the circumstances surrounding COVID-19 prevent us from hosting an in-person internship in Boston, the internship will take place remotely, as it did in Summer 2020. Regardless of the internship format, summer RAs will still gain experience in all of the aforementioned areas.

Eligibility and requirements : Research assistants are asked to commit up to 40 hours per week, and should the circumstances surrounding COVID-19 allow, they should expect to test outdoors and on weekends. The tentative start date for positions is as early as May 31st and as late as June 7th. Positions will last for 10-11 weeks.

We are awaiting official award notification for a grant that would provide stipends for two positions in our lab. Priority will be given to those who are first-generation college students or from other under-represented backgrounds. Those who identify as a member of a historically under-represented group (e.g., Hispanic, African American, American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, disabled or first-generation college student) are strongly encouraged to apply. For students seeking outside funding or funding from their home institution, our lab will gladly provide additional assistance.

Anyone is welcome to apply. To do so, please:

1. Complete our [online application](https://forms.gle/PhLsbkGuMvZhaYr27): <https://forms.gle/PhLsbkGuMvZhaYr27>
2. Email a CV/Resume to lmcooperation@gmail.com with the subject line "Summer 2021 Research Assistant Application"
3. Arrange to have one letter of recommendation (ideally from a professor, teaching assistant, or employer) emailed to lmcooperation@gmail.com with the subject line "Summer 2021 Research Assistant LOR".

We welcome any questions at lmcooperation@gmail.com. **The deadline to submit materials is March 8, 2021 at 5pm EST.**

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