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Announcement Title: Research Specialist II at Georgetown University's Center for Brain Plasticity and Recovery

Description: The Georgetown/MedStar Center for Brain Plasticity and Recovery in Washington, DC, is seeking a Research Specialist II to work on two NIH-funded projects: The Pediatric Stroke Project (led by Dr. Elissa Newport) and the Cognition and Emotion after Stroke Project (led by Dr. Anna Greenwald.) Both projects are supported by research grants from the National Institutes of Health and use detailed behavioral assessments and functional and anatomical brain imaging (MRI) to study the impact of stroke (early or later in life) on behavioral performance and brain organization. The Research Specialist will primarily be tasked with running study participants through our research protocols, including administration of standardized psychometric tests and in-house computer and paper-and-pencil assessments, MRI safety screening, and accompanying the participant throughout the MRI sessions. Additional responsibilities will include data management and analysis, such as transcription of participant responses and data entry, scoring of assessments, manual tracing of lesions on anatomical MRIs, and preprocessing and preliminary analyses of fMRI data. The Research Specialist will be expected to train and supervise junior staff and student research assistants in executing parts of the above tasks, and will occasionally be asked to participate in recruitment and retention activities. Minimum requirements for the position include a Bachelor's degree and prior research experience in cognitive psychology, neuroscience or another related field, as well as the ability to safely assist participants in an MRI environment. Prior MRI research and experience working with stroke survivors are highly desirable. Individuals with programming experience, working knowledge of Matlab, PsychoPy, EPrime, or R will be given preference. The candidate must be organized, personable, responsible, reliable, self-motivated, efficient, detail-oriented, and comfortable working with patient populations.

Additional Information: The holder of this position will join Georgetown's large, collegial, and vibrant community of researchers interested in brain plasticity and recovery and have the opportunity to participate in Brain Plasticity Seminars and other academic gatherings that bring together researchers from several DC area universities and the MedStar Health Research Institute. They will also be invited to participate in preparation of conference contributions and scientific publications, and will be given author credit depending on level of involvement. This is a full-time position with a minimum two-year commitment. Individuals interested in a longer term commitment will be given preference. Interested candidates should email a cover letter, CV, and contact information for 3 references to Dr. Anna Greenwald at as2266@georgetown.edu with "Research Specialist Position" in the title. Applications are being accepted on a rolling basis. Georgetown University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity employer.

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