PAID COMPUTATIONAL NEUROSCIENCE RESEARCH ASSISTANT OPPORTUNITY

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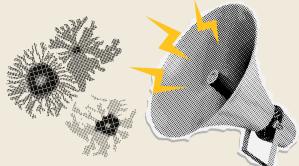
RESEARCH & LAB DESCRIPTION

The TEND Lab is a group of researchers at San Diego State University and University of California, San Diego, that studies the development of social and emotional functioning (e.g., regulating one's own emotions, perceiving others' emotions, interacting with others) in children and adolescents who have psychological disorders, like anxiety, depression, severe irritability, and/or autism. In particular, TEND Lab researchers are interested in understanding how the brain works within these disorders and how to leverage information about the brain to improve treatments for these disorders. To accomplish this, TEND Lab researchers use functional and structural magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), functional connectivity, genetic, behavioral, and neuropsychological tools.

We are searching for an individual with a **strong technical and analytical background**, along with an **interest in neuroscience**.



Some duties include: learning how to analyze and process fMRI data, develop and contribute to research hypotheses, writing scripts using linux shells, and gaining experience in the research field. Advanced research assistants have the opportunity to explore their own research questions and present posters at conferences. Research assistants at TEND Lab develop clinical and research skills by obtaining valuable experience necessary for graduate school.



POSITION INFO & REQUIREMENTS

- 10 hours required per week

– Class Level: Sophomore or Junior preferred, Senior and recent graduates also considered

- At least 1 year commitment is required

– Skills Required: proficiency in at least 1 programming language, knowledge of statistics, formal computer science coursework

Good qualities include: self motivated, a quick learner, debugging experience, and a technical or analytical background
Interest in: developmental psychology and neuroimaging (e.g., fMRI, MRI, DTI)

COMPENSATION

\$17.25/hr. Work study eligible.

REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLYING

– Attach a cover letter, CV or resume, and a copy of a transcript

- Send attachments to <u>tendlab@sdsu.edu</u> with the subject line written as "First and Last Name, **Computational Neuroscience Research Assistant Opportunity**."

Please do this in lieu of RAAP Application.