

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR UNDERGRAD AND MASTERS-LEVEL RESEARCH ASSISTANTS!

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Preferred Qualifications

Minimum GPA of 3.25

Psychology or criminal justice major (related majors may be considered)

Completion of a research methods course in a social sciences discipline

Self-motivated

Dependable work ethic

Desire to pursue graduate training in psychology

Basic understanding of correctional and forensic psychology that is not based on TV shows

Want to gain valuable, hands-on research experience? Thinking about graduate school? Consider applying to work as a research assistant in the **Correctional and Forensic Psychology** Lab at University of Memphis!

ABOUT THE LAB

Thanks for your interest in our lab! The CFP (aka “BatLab”) team focuses on improving intervention strategies for criminal justice-involved populations, with particular emphasis on mental health and behavioral outcomes. We also study issues related to re-entry following incarceration (e.g., employment), forensic mental health assessment (e.g., violence risk), and the use of telepsychology with underserved populations.

Research assistants are essential to running a smooth research program. As an RA, you would be involved in a variety of tasks ranging from literature searches to data entry and management to on-site data collection (note: travel for research is contingent on current safety policies, availability/need, and the student's proven work ethic). Depending on level of contribution, research assistants may present at conferences or serve as co-authors on academic publications. You will also receive mentorship from graduate-level lab members to help you apply to graduate programs and advance your general professional development.

All accepted RAs must be current students at U of M. RAs are expected to volunteer approximately 10 hours per week, including attendance at lab meetings. We tend to prioritize applicants who can commit to the lab for at least one academic year. Applications are due on **September 1st** for positions starting this Fall semester. Interviews will be scheduled on a rolling basis.

Please visit our lab webpage (<https://www.batastinipsychlab.com/>) to get a better sense of who we are and what we do. A copy of our Lab Manual (which outlines policies, procedures, and expectations for all research team members) and a link to the RA application can also be found on this website. For additional information, please contact the Lab Manager, Madison Lord, at mrlord@memphis.edu.