

# Affect and Critical Thinking Lab

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**Professor:** Dr. Richard Lewine

**Type of position:** Course Credit or Volunteer

**Time commitment:** 4 hours per week minimum; must be available Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday

**Semesters position is available:** Summer 2017, Fall 2017

**Location of work:** University of Louisville Pain Management Center

**Requirements:** Looking for a highly motivated, organized, dependable and detail-oriented student who is interested in the intersection between psychology and physical health and interested in research in these areas. Students with strong academic success, good work ethic, and strong interpersonal and communication skills are encouraged to apply. Research assistants will need to have access to reliable transportation to clinic recruitment. For those interested in data entry, some knowledge of SPSS is required.

**Brief description of project:** This research assistant will assist with Melissa Ellsworth's dissertation study taking place in the Pain Management Center at University of Louisville Hospital. The study entails filling out self-report questionnaires that are examining the relationship between resilience factors and functioning in chronic pain. Specifically, the study is looking at mindfulness, self-compassion, acceptance and positive emotion as it relates to pain severity, disability and quality of life.

**Specific tasks:** Recruitment of participants, including approaching patients in the waiting room or while they're waiting for their doctor in the exam rooms and asking about their interest in the study. RA will also need to obtain informed consent, screen for eligibility, and administer the questionnaires either in paper-and-pencil format or setting them up with the online survey through REDcap. RA will also need to review questionnaires that are filled out in paper-and-pencil to check for missing data. Also, RA will do data entry in SPSS and complete HIPAA and confidentiality trainings. Complete some background readings as needed.

**How to apply:** E-mail CV, transcript, relevant experience, interests and future goals to Melissa Ellsworth at [meells01@louisville.edu](mailto:meells01@louisville.edu).

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