Job announcement

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Student Research Assistant (5-10 hours/week) starting May, 1, 2018 (negotiable)

The Laboratory for Social and Neural Systems Research (SNS Lab) at the University of Zurich is looking for a student research assistant (~20% part time, often on evenings and Saturdays) for the implementation of a functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) experiment. This experiment is part of the Zurich Project on the Social Development from Childhood to Adulthood (see http://www.jacobscenter.uzh.ch/en/research/zproso/aboutus.html) and will investigate the impact of early life experiences on social decision making in adulthood using fMRI.

Responsibilities:
• screen participants for fMRI experiment, schedule participants’ visits to the SNS Lab
• conduct experimental sessions using fMRI at the SNS Lab
• collect, store, and format behavioural data using Matlab, and/or R

Requirements:
• Good marks in bachelor’s level economics, neuroscience, or psychology courses
• native Swiss-German speaker, with very good oral and written English skills
• ability to work responsibly and independently
• strong social skills, especially in interaction with longitudinal study participants
• strong interest in scientific research, especially in brain imaging methods, neuroeconomics, cognitive neuroscience and/or decision-making processes
• interest in working in an interdisciplinary team, preferably for at least 15 months
• basic knowledge in data processing
• preferably previous experience with at least basic programming in R, Matlab, or other data science languages and/or programming experimental paradigms with specific tools (e.g., PsychToolbox)
• strong preference will be given to candidates with previous experience with neuroimaging data

We offer:
• fascinating insight into brain functionality and neuroscientific research
• stimulating work in an interdisciplinary team
• option to pursue further qualifications (e.g., master’s thesis), either related to or independent of this position

For more information about the position, contact: ana.cubillo@econ.uzh.ch

Application:
• Should include: letter of motivation, CV, copies of diplomas and university transcripts
• Please send the above as a single PDF to ana.cubillo@econ.uzh.ch (subject line: Application Student Research Assistant)