

Teasdale Research Group
Undergraduate Research Assistant Application

Information about the Position

The Teasdale Research Group in the UIC College of Education is seeking undergraduate students to work as research assistant volunteers. Our research focuses on how educational and social programs are evaluated. For example, we study adult and family literacy programs, informal STEM learning in museums and afterschool settings, and post-high school education programs for adults with intellectual disabilities. We examine how “success” is defined for those programs and who gets to define success, with the aim of including more voices and definitions of success.

We are looking for detail-oriented, reliable, organized, and self-motivated individuals who are interested in research to improve educational and social programs. Typical time commitment is 3-5 hours per week for at least one academic year. All undergraduate applicants will be considered with preference be given to juniors and seniors. Research assistants must have reliable internet access and a computer with a microphone and webcam.

Research assistant duties may include transcription of recorded interviews and focus groups, managing data, conducting literature searches, helping to prepare journal articles, and participating in research group meetings. Advanced research assistants might have opportunities to be involved in the process of planning, implementing, and presenting research projects and might receive course credit or be paid for your work.

To apply, complete this application and send your application form and resume to Dr. Rebecca Teasdale at rteasd2@uic.edu. Finalists will be contacted to schedule an interview.

Interests and Background

Why do you want to be a research assistant with the Teasdale Research Group?

What are your greatest strengths as a student?

What is an area in which you'd like to improve as a student?

What are your professional interests and goals?

Have you taken a course in research methods? Yes No

If yes, please provide course name/number of your research methods class and describe what you enjoyed about the course.

Do you have any previous experience as a research assistant or as part of a research group or lab? Yes No

If yes, please describe the focus of the research and your responsibilities. Please also include your supervisor as one of your references below.

Availability

Research assistants typically volunteer 3-5 hours per week. How many hours are you willing and able to devote to volunteering with the research group per week?

Research assistants typically volunteer for at least one academic year. How many consecutive semesters are you willing and able to volunteer with the research group?

Please indicate the tentative schedule when you are available to volunteer as a research assistant this semester.

Mondays:

Tuesdays:

Wednesdays:

Thursdays:

Fridays:

References

Please provide the following information for at least two references.

Reference #1

Name:

Email:

Phone:

Relationship (e.g., professor, supervisor, etc.):

Reference #2

Name:

Email:

Phone:

Relationship (e.g., professor, supervisor, etc.):

Reference #3 (optional)

Name:

Email:

Phone:

Relationship (e.g., professor, supervisor, etc.):

Additional Information

Please provide any additional information that you believe is important to your application.