**Pain Research Lab**

Our lab conducts research on the biopsychosocial aspects of pain and functioning in humans. In one line of research, we use simulated patients to investigate how medical providers make pain assessment and treatment decisions for specific patient groups. In this work, we are particularly interested in examining the mechanisms (e.g., implicit/explicit attitudes, decision-making awareness) that underlie disparities in pain care. A second line of research examines how psychological constructs (e.g., pain-related fear and catastrophizing) influence the experience of pain. This work often involves using experimental stimuli (e.g., cold pressor, heat) to induce pain in healthy and clinical populations. We are a multidisciplinary laboratory and collaborate frequently with colleagues in Medicine, Nursing, Communication Science, Informatics, Physical Therapy, and Social Psychology.

**Lab Requirements:**

* Attend lab meetings (held weekly)
* A minimum commitment of 5 hours per week, to be determined during regular business hours (Monday through Friday, 9am-5pm)
* Work on all on-going projects, as needed

**APPLICATION QUESTIONS**

**Name:**

**Contact Info:**

* **Phone:**
* **Email:**

**Year in school**:

**Major:**

**GPA:**

* Last semester GPA:
* Cumulative GPA:

**Psychology classes completed and grade received:**

**Psychology classes currently taking:**

**Any previous degrees:**

**Previous research experience:**

* **With whom?**
* **When?**
* **What did you do?**

**Please list your research interests:**

**Are you currently employed?**

* **How many hours/week?**

**Are you currently involved in any extracurricular activities?**

* **How many hours/week?**

**Can you commit to at least two semesters of lab work?**

**Please list any *applicable* past employment history (or attach a resume)**

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**Why do you want to work in our lab?**

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**What skills or qualities will you bring to the lab?**

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**What are your plans for the future/post graduation?**

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**Do you have an instructor (particularly in Psychology) that can best speak to your abilities? If so, who would that be?**

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