**Student Volunteer Experience**

***Who are we?***

At the CBCD Babylab and ToddlerLab, we study how babies and children learn and develop during the first few years of life and throughout childhood. Some of the areas we are interested in include how babies recognise faces, how their language and understanding of the world develops, and how they learn to understand what other people do and think. We are also exploring why and how some children develop disorders such as autism. To answer these questions we use a variety of research methods including ERP, EEG, NIRS, motion capture, virtual reality and eye-tracking.

For information about specific research projects please visit our website: [www.cbcd.bbk.ac.uk](http://www.cbcd.bbk.ac.uk)

***How can students be involved?***

Students are invited to apply for volunteer research experience at CBCD to work alongside researchers and PhD students with expertise in infant and child research. Specific duties may include helping to test infant or child participants, recruitment and scheduling of participants, coding and processing of data, and literature searches. Students will also learn to work within a research team, and can benefit from our weekly seminars on various research topics.

We take into account students’ research interests and what they would like to get out of the experience, as well as gearing projects to suit students’ strengths.

***What is required?***

All students are required to volunteer a minimum of 8 hours per week both during term time and out of term time.

***How do I apply?***

If you would like to apply for volunteer research experience at the Babylab/ToddlerLab, please download the application form and email a completed copy, along with your CV and two written references, to Tamsin Osborne (t.osborne@bbk.ac.uk).

We look forward to hearing from you!

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| **CBCD Volunteer Application Form** |

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| *Personal Details* |
| **Name:** |  |
| **Student number:** ***(For Birkbeck students only)*** |  |
| **Email address:** |  |
| **Phone number:** |  |
| **How did you hear about the CBCD?****☐** Birkbeck class ☐ Other university class☐ Participated with my infant/child☐ Web search☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***If you heard about the CBCD through a Birkbeck class, please state which class:***  |
| **Are you currently enrolled in a university program? ☐** Yes ☐ No***Please provide details of the program and university.***  |
| **Do you have a current DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check? ☐** Yes ☐ No***If yes, please state the date of issue and for what job or placement you received it:*** |
| **Do you have the right to work in the UK? ☐** Yes ☐ No |
| *Skills and Experience* |
| **Please state any previous experience working with babies and/or children:**  |
| **Please state any skills you may have that could be useful to the CBCD (e.g., programming skills, computer skills, experience working in a research setting):**  |
| *Availability* |
| **Days/Hours available each week, both during AND out of term time (please circle):**

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| --- | --- | --- |
|  | During term time | Out of term time |
| Monday | am | pm | am | pm |
| Tuesday | am | pm | am | pm |
| Wednesday | am | pm | am | pm |
| Thursday | am | pm | am | pm |
| Friday  | am | pm | am | pm |
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| **Are you also available on weekends?** ☐Saturday or Sunday ☐ Saturday only ☐ Sunday only |
| **Roughly how long would you like to volunteer with us, starting and finishing when?** |
| *References* |
| **Please provide names/email addresses/phone numbers of two referees:****1.** **2.**  |
| ☐ **By ticking this box you agree to having your data stored on our secure, password protect server. Your data will be kept confidential and accessed only by authorised CBCD staff and researchers within Birkbeck looking for volunteers.** |
| **Signature (electronic signature accepted):** **Date:**  |
| ***\*\*\* Please email this form along with your CV and two written references to Tamsin Osborne (******t.osborne@bbk.ac.uk)******. Thank you. \*\*\**** |