Museum of Life and Science Recruitment

MoLS + Living Lab Overview

The ECC Lab has a partnership with the Museum of Life and Sciences (MoLS) where we have the opportunity to recruit and run participants for our studies. Not only do we get involved with research at the museum, but each RA and lab member is catalyst trained so that our members can provide support for various activities occurring at the museum if we don't end up running studies there one week. The ECC Lab mainly runs studies in the Living Lab at MoLS.

Living Labs is a partnership between the Museum and Early Childhood Psychology/Development researchers at local universities. Researchers from these universities conduct research (usually in the form of stories and games) with Museum guests. This gives researchers a larger pool of participants, connects guests to real, ongoing scientific research, and offers Museum guests an additional enriching experience to their visit. This partnership is part of the Museum's mission to bridge the scientific and broader communities and create relationships and dialogue between them, while also contributing to scientific research.

RA and Project Lead Expectations at MoLS

To sign up for a museum shift, enter your name in the "MoLs Shifts" document.

Cancellation Policy: If you're unable to make a museum shift, it's your responsibility to find someone to replace you. Not completing two recruitment or museum shifts per semester will affect the continuation of your research assistantship(for those taking class credit).

MoLS Shift Overview

If you are signed up for a museum shift, refer to the steps below for what to expect and follow before, during, and after a typical shift.

Before MoLS Shift

Day Before

- On Slack, the lab manager will confirm the museum shift and coordinate transportation for those planning to attend.
- The group will figure out who will be driving/if the lab manager should order an Uber for the group if no one is driving.

Day Of

- Members of the lab are typically expected to meet in the lab 30 minutes before the museum shift
- The group should prepare the following:
    - The Museum Bag:
        - 1 iPad
        - 2 cameras
        - Chargers
        - Museum folder (containing certificates, flyers, and coloring pages)
        - Museum pins
    - Camera bags (if needed)
    - Study supplies (stimuli, personal computers, etc.; if needed)
- If the group planned on ordering an Uber/Lyft, Slack the lab manager and ask them to request a ride once all members are in the lab and ready.
- *Note.* If we are running low on any of our coloring pages, certificates, flyers, or pins, print more sheets if there is time and let the manager know!

After MoLS Shift

- **Bring back museum bag day of the museum shift.**
- Return the camera bags and charge the cameras
- Charge iPads in lab
- Check with project lead if they need support with entering data/uploading videos to the lab computers
- Let the lab manager know that the lab is running low on any of our coloring pages, certificates, flyers, or pins if that is the case.