

RELATIONSHIP IQ PROJECT

Research Intern Application

Research Interns are Pepperdine University students selected and trained by the Boone Center for the Family's Relationship IQ Project to conduct research on the growing field of relationship education and young adult relationships. Research for the Relationship IQ Project includes conducting extensive literature reviews, IRB proposal applications, participate in research design, instrument creation, data collection, data analysis, and result reporting.

The Relationship IQ Project is designed to help young adults develop the skills, attitudes, and character associated with healthy relationships. In order to give us a sense of the skills and experiences that you offer this position, please provide the information asked for below.

Opportunities: This position is an unpaid internship. Students will receive training in conducting literature reviews, research design, SPSS, and writing research articles and reports. Students will also be trained in healthy relationship skills and theory during the summer training program as part of the rIQ operational team.

Expectations: Research Interns for the Relationship IQ Project are asked to:

- Commit between four and eight hours per week to the Relationship IQ Project
- Participate in intensive training sessions (approximately 8-10 hours) to be held in May and June.
- Participate in monthly training sessions and supervision sessions during the fall and spring semesters.
- Complete mandatory research training through Pepperdine University.
- Follow directions closely and be adequately self-sufficient to complete tasks.
- Be an enthusiastic and responsible member of the Boone Center for the Family team.

NOTE

The Boone Center operates within a faith-based context. In their roles as Research Interns, students represent the Boone Center specifically and Pepperdine University generally. Because of this, it is important that our representatives are good ambassadors for the Boone Center and the University. Research Interns should strive to conduct themselves as persons of high moral character. This includes, but is not limited to, the profiles presented on social networking web sites. Material on such sites that are deemed significantly inconsistent with the mission of the Boone Center for the Family would not support involvement as a Research Intern.

This position is in compliance with the University Policy on Equal Employment Opportunity and Nondiscrimination.

Applications are due by **March 26, 2010**. Please deliver your completed application to Hannah Parmelee in office 124 in the GSEP building on the Drescher Campus, fax it to 310.506.8561, or send as an email attachment to: hannah.parmelee@pepperdine.edu. Once you've submitted your application please contact Hannah Parmelee regarding an interview time. Interviews will be held April 5-16, 2010.

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Applicant Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

References: Please list one GSEP faculty reference and one other reference that we may contact.

Name	Position	Phone Number
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____

Personal Response: *Please type your responses to the following questions.*

1. What appeals to you about this program? Describe how involvement in a program like this would be consistent with your personal and professional goals.
2. Describe your research training and experience. Please discuss previous research conducted, including listing the areas of research in which you were involved (ex: literature review, research design, IRB proposal, instrument development, data entry or analysis, etc...)
3. What areas of research interest and excite you? Why do you want to research young adult relationships and relationship education programs?
4. Being part of Relationship IQ requires the ability to work with a team of people. Please describe how you have worked effectively with others in the past, with references to specific examples. Please also describe your leadership and teamwork style.
5. Please discuss your organizational style. How do you organize your work?
6. The Boone Center for the Family is a faith-based, Christian organization. Please discuss your comfort level in working in a Christian organization, where we frequently pray during meetings and discuss faith issues. Please note that an active Christian faith is not required for the Research Intern position.