Applications are now being accepted for the 2012 Johns Hopkins University Laboratory for Child Development’s annual Summer Internship Program. Summer interns will receive close mentorship by faculty, post docs, and graduate students, and learn all aspects of cognitive development research. Under the direction of Drs. Lisa Feigenson and Justin Halberda, the Lab is currently investigating a range of issues including memory development, numerical abilities, logical reasoning, and language acquisition, in populations including young infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and adults.

Summer interns participate fully in all aspects of research, including recruiting participants, testing infants and children in behavioral tasks, coding children’s testing sessions, analyzing data, and interpreting results. Interns also participate in guided readings of developmental literature, and attend laboratory meetings in which we discuss ongoing projects or current issues in the field of cognitive development. Students will work primarily in the Psychological & Brain Sciences building of Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore Maryland, and may also work at our testing site at the Maryland Science Center at Baltimore’s Inner Harbor.

2012 will be the 8th year of our annual summer program, which has been enormously successful in instilling students with a love of basic research, preparing them for graduate study, and forming friendships that last well beyond the duration of the program.

Summer interns have daily contact with children and their parents, and as such must be mature, articulate, and comfortable communicating with others. Successful candidates will also be able to demonstrate enthusiasm for the research being conducted, a strong work ethic, and an excellent academic record. Desirable background experience includes coursework in developmental and experimental psychology, basic computer skills, an ability to work in a highly collaborative, team-oriented environment, and some previous research experience.

The 2012 Program will begin on Tuesday, May 29 and will end on Tuesday, July 31, and will be full-time (roughly 9AM to 5PM). Interns will receive either course credit or a stipend (range: $1000 - $1500).

To apply, please send a completed application (available on the lab website), cover letter explaining your interest in and qualifications for the position, unofficial transcript, and two letters of recommendation to:

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More information can also be found on the lab website: http://www.psy.jhu.edu/~labforchilddevelopment/