# Research Assistant Needed for a Randomized Controlled Trial of an Online Sexual Assault Resistance Program for Undergraduate Women

Drs. Charlene Senn (Psychology, U Windsor) and Sarah Peitzmeier (School of Public Health, U Maryland) are 2-years into a 5-year grant from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research to study the effectiveness of the IDEA<sup>3</sup> sexual assault resistance program. This is a randomized controlled trial (RCT) at two Canadian universities (U Windsor, U Guelph) and two U.S. universities. IDEA<sup>3</sup> is an adapted version of the feminist *Flip the Script with EAAA*<sup>TM</sup> program modified for online synchronous delivery. In an earlier RCT, *Flip the Script with EAAA*<sup>TM</sup> reduced the 1-year incidence of rape and attempted rape experienced by undergraduate women by 50%.

- Part-time on-campus employment in Department of Psychology, University of Windsor
- November 18, 2024 April 30, 2025, with possibility of renewal for one additional year
- Pay: \$30/hour (approx. 300 hours for full contract; 275 regular hours + 25 hours training)
- Hours of work: 12 hrs./wk. on average (actual hours will vary between 5-20 /wk.) including weekday, weekend, and weeknight hours. Most hours will be on campus.
- Due to the sensitive nature of the research and contact with participants, the Research Assistants must identify as women

### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

- Train extensively in the content of two sexual assault interventions and the logic of the randomized trial and recruitment protocols
- Lead a 60-minute online workshop on consent for undergraduate women (for RCT participants assigned to the control group) 4-8 times per semester in evenings and on weekends
- Assist and maintain effective communication with researcher and other project team members
- Recruit participants for the RCT and communicate with potential participants via email and text
- Contact participants through the follow-up period (i.e., send reminder emails and texts at key follow-up points).
- Follow research protocols for tracking participant data
- Assist with data collection
- Maintain accurate electronic records in REDCap (training provided)
- Respect participant confidentiality through all phases of data collection and program delivery
- Participate in weekly research team meetings
- Compile and mail packages with intervention materials to participants
- Other duties as required

#### **Essential Qualifications:**

- Advanced undergraduate standing or undergraduate degree in a relevant social science discipline
- Background and experience with quantitative research in a relevant social science discipline
- Flexible availability (daytime, evening and weekend hours will sometimes be required)
- Availability for intensive in-person training (dates in late November/early December to be determined)
- Excellent organizational skills and attention to detail
- Comfort with dealing with sensitive topics, particularly women's sexuality and violence against women, in a supportive environment; ability to talk about these issues frankly, confidently, and with sensitivity
- Ability to work independently and as a productive member of the research team
- Excellent interpersonal skills in person, by text, and email
- Effective presentation skills
- Dependability, good judgement, and problem-solving skills
- Ability to deal well with stress and time pressures
- Computer skills including familiarity with Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Zoom and willingness to learn other applications

#### Preferred Qualifications:

- Familiarity with randomized controlled trial methodology
- Experience facilitating or delivering presentations to an audience
- Previous work/experience with issues around gender-based violence/violence against women and girls
- Experience with REDCap

## Review of applications begins November 4th, 2024. Expected start date November 25th, 2024.

Please submit cover letter, resume, and contact information for 2 references to Dr. Courtney Williston at <a href="mailto:cwillist@uwindsor.ca">cwillist@uwindsor.ca</a>

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