

**Casual Research Assistant: iCAT neuroscience RA**

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**Application deadline:** Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026

**Line manager:** Dr Hannah Stewart, Dr Katharina Kaduk and Dr Brandon O'Hanlon

**Estimated employment period:** 10<sup>th</sup> June 2026 – 9<sup>th</sup> June 2027

**Rate of pay:** Spine point 21 (sessional) - £15.95 per hour + holiday pay

This position is for a **casual research assistant** to work flexibly for **up to 219 hours**. Days/hours worked will vary throughout the project.

You will work in the [PELiCAN Lab](#) at Lancaster University's Psychology Department, on Dr Hannah Stewart's Impact of Children's Auditory Technology (iCAT) project. This is a UKRI funded project about children's auditory technology (e.g., remote microphones in classrooms).

**Main responsibilities:**

- Recruiting primary school aged children
- Calendar management for research visits
- Assist neuroimaging research visits (methods used: mostly eeg, some NIRS)
- Assist behavioural research visits
- Basic data cleaning and organization
- Basic data analysis and graphing of results

You do not need to have worked with children or neuroimaging methods before; training will be provided as required for the below desirable criteria.

DBS required (can be applied for as part of this role, please note that the start and end date will be delayed if a DBS application is required).

**Role requirements:**

Essential:

- Currently studying or degree in Psychology, Neuroscience, Linguistics or similar (averaging 1<sup>st</sup> or 2.1)
- Evidence of being proactive and taking the initiative
- Evidence of being organized and a strong attention to detail
- Excellent and clear verbal communication
- Comfortable talking with carers of participants via phone and in person
- Interest in cognitive neuroscience and/or linguistics

Desirable:

- Previous behavioural data collection experience
- Previous eeg data collection experience
- Previous experience with auditory paradigms
- Previous experience working with children

**To apply**, please send your CV (2 page max) and a short cover letter briefly outlining any relevant experience and your interest in the project **by May 31<sup>st</sup>** to [j.m.halstead@lancaster.ac.uk](mailto:j.m.halstead@lancaster.ac.uk). Please use the subject header:

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**In person interviews** will be arranged for 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> of June 2026.