



# David Geffen School of Medicine

## **Assistant Project Scientist Position**

A part-time position for an Assistant Project Scientist is available, supervised by Dr. Connie Kasari at the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior in the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. We are looking for an enthusiastic, resourceful, and dedicated researcher interested in working in research studies for children with ASD targeting social skills, communication, joint attention gestures, and a number of other core characteristics common to children with ASD.

The Kasari Lab is part of the Center for Autism Research and Treatment (CART) in the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior at UCLA. The Lab's research focuses on the core characteristics of social communication in children with ASD. Projects are carried out primarily in school and community settings with the goal of improving communication and relationships with others. The Kasari Lab is devoted to creating interventions that are successful, backed by research, and able to be implemented in everyday settings.

A successful candidate will have the following qualifications:

- PhD in Human Development and Psychology or a related field.
- Ability to work independently within a collaborative multi-disciplinary team-based environment.
- Motivation to learn and develop expertise in the field.
- Work with the principal investigator and study team with the planning, execution, and monitoring of research projects to ensure all requirements and deliverables are met in a specified timeline.
- Ensure that conducted studies are in compliance with standard operation protocols and regulatory guidelines.
- Strong oral and written communication skills to present and publish research findings.
- Supervise and train lab research assistants and graduate students.

To apply, submit i) a cover letter outlining academic interests, ii) a statement of research accomplishments and future plans, and iii) three references (contact information only) to the UC Recruit application portal at, <https://recruit.apo.ucla.edu/JPF07714>.

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<https://equity.ucla.edu/programs-resources/faculty-search-process/faculty-search-committee-resources/sample-guidance/>)

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