**Research Assistant [RA] Application Form**

**The Metabolic Kitchen & Children’s Eating Behavior Laboratory**

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Major: Psychology Minor: N/A Overall GPA: 3.99

Anticipated graduation date:

Spring 2017

Number of hours (per week) to commit to research:

 6 hours (preferably same day or from home)

Period of desired RA position (semester, summer, multiple semesters):

 Summer

Please indicate the days of the week and times for each day you are available to work as an RA (please provide this information for at least the upcoming semester):

* Until June 17th: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3pm.
* From June 17th until fall semester: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 9AM

Type(s) of positions you are interested in applying for (note all that apply):

 Volunteer only

 For credit (Note: 1 credit=3 hours/week)

What relevant curricular or research training have you completed? Please list coursework below:

 courses: Grade:

AP Psychology (Substituted for PSYCH 100) A

AP Statistics (Substituted for STAT 100) B+

Neurological Basis of Human Behavior (PSYCH 260) B+

Elementary Microbiology (MICRB 107) in progress

 Other coursework (life sciences, methods & statistics, etc.): Grade:

 N/A

Please describe any prior research, work, or related experience you have had; be sure to include the nature of the research, your supervisor(s), and any training or skills you have accrued.

N/A

Do you have any experience or skills in working with special populations (e.g., children, elderly, medical patients, low-income, rural, minority, veterans, etc.)? If so, please describe below.

* Experience working with ESL students in the writing center
* Experience working with children
	+ Teaching children (ages 8-13) to use percussion instruments
	+ Babysitting autistic children (age 9)

Do you have specific skills, training, and/or certification relevant to Nutritional or Food Sciences research? Please indicate those that apply below and, for those that apply, please specify the nature of your preparation.

 Human subjects: N/A

 Animal subjects: N/A

“Wet” laboratory training: N/A

We require numerous certifications to conduct research, in addition to background checks. Do you already have any in the following categories?

CITI or other research ethics training: No

Biosafety training: No

Background Checks: Yes, through the Pennsylvania State University

Other(s):

Do you have reliable and consistent transportation such that you can participate in research off campus?

 Yes

Please list contact information for up to three individuals who can attest to your qualifications for participating as a research assistant. These names should be research (preferred), classroom, or work supervisors.

1. Ms. Jeanette Lang- 814-381-1715

2. Dr. William White – wjw11@psu.edu

3. Dr. Dave Villani – adv2@psu.edu

Lastly, please describe your interests and goals for participating in research projects. What domains of study are you interested in? What do you hope to learn from this research experience? How will this experience relate to your plans both during your time at PSU and after graduation?

 I am particularly interested in the biological and developmental aspects of psychology. I’d like to learn more about research and gain experience with research projects. I’m hoping this experience will help me develop skills that I can use in both my academic career and my future career in psychology.