

Internship Advertisement: Public Engagement Assistant (virtual)

The Wellcome Centre for Human Neuroimaging (WCHN) at the UCL Institute of Neurology is an interdisciplinary Centre for neuroimaging excellence. It hosts and trains over 100 clinicians, scientists and support staff, and interacts with over 200 collaborators both at UCL and throughout the world.

Our vision is to deliver clinically-transformative applications of neuroimaging that provide personalized prognosis and treatment planning. We investigate how the human brain functions in health and disease and how this knowledge can inform neuroimaging technologies, we seek to establish non-invasive measures of brain function that can be used to identify the physiological processes associated with neurological and psychiatric disorders, deliver personalized prognoses, and develop or assess potential treatments.

Within public engagement, we aim to embed public engagement into the research process, equipping our researchers with the skills and experience to readily engage a wide community in their research.

About the Role

We are currently seeking a **Public Engagement Assistant** to assist with our work including:

1. Co-producing new brain scanning helmets with young people with epilepsy
2. An immersive art exhibition highlighting the experiences of people who suffer fatigue post stroke
3. A film project co-producing a script with people with dementia and Carers.

The [Wellcome Centre for Human Neuroimaging](#) has a strong culture of public engagement and the post holder would aid in building this culture further. We run a large number of projects working with people with neurological conditions, their Carers and their loved ones. The final decision on which projects to the intern will be assigned to will be made following discussion between the intern and Public Engagement team. Responsibilities across the projects may include:

1. Developing content for the website and other communications outputs
2. Assisting in the delivery of an immersive art exhibition – both the digital and (COVID-dependent) physical exhibition
3. Developing information and resources for research staff
4. Assisting in focus groups, workshops and development of project materials (e.g. school kits)
5. Working closely with the researchers, clinicians, artists, designers and creative facilitators on projects
6. Any other tasks related to the running of projects.

The post holder would be assisting the Public Engagement team to help deliver their projects, working primarily with the Public Engagement Officer. We are seeking someone with strong communications and organisational skills, experience of working with a diversity of people and lots of creativity! Prior experience in Public Engagement is not required, however experience of working with patients would be an advantage.

The post holder will have the opportunity to suggest and embark on projects of their own dependent on time availability and are encouraged to discuss these with the team.

Daily work pattern: Full-time, 35 hours per week.

As part of this internship, you will be able to attend training and conferences to explore all the opportunities available to someone embarking on a public engagement career.

Applications ongoing with no deadline (in-person internships will be considered once safe to do so)

To apply please send a short covering email and your CV to c.hugill@ucl.ac.uk