Paid Undergraduate Research Assistant Opportunity

**Faculty Principal:** Dr. Letisha Engracia Cardoso Brown (Department of Sociology)  
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**Objective:** The overall purpose of this position is to contribute to the development of a book manuscript on the subject of race, sport, and society via a Black feminist standpoint. Students should have an interest in sport and society from a social-cultural standpoint including issues such as race, gender, Black hair, fashion, and athlete activism.

   The purpose of this position is for the Research Assistant to develop or improve their research skills. Specifically, this project entails the collection of literature (e.g., peer reviewed journal articles; books; book chapters; etc.) and data (archival) including, new paper articles, documentaries, interviews, etc. based on the projects subject matter discussed above. The Research Assistant will also meet with the Faculty Principal monthly to check on progress, address questions, and receive feedback and updated instructions.

**Typical Duties:** Search for references; memo/annotate the references, proofread draft chapters for referencing, create annotated bibliographies based on subject (e.g., fashion; hair; gender; etc.); meetings with the faculty principal.

**Qualifications:** Undergraduate student, Virginia Tech (required); previous research experience (recommended)

**Skills & Abilities (recommended):** Microsoft (e.g., Word, Excel, PowerPoint); VT Libraries (searches); memo/annotation style writing; referencing and bibliographic skill; knowledge of Chicago Style citations.

**Requirements to Apply:** students are required to submit a 1—2 -page statement that discusses their research/writing skills, their research interests (generally) and why they want to be a part of this project, and a brief discussion of what they hope to gain/learn while being in this position. **A CV/Resume will be considered but is not required.**

**Start Date:** July 6th, 2021  
**End Date:** TBD  
**Compensation:** $16.00 per/hour

Submit materials to:

Dr. Letisha Engracia Cardoso Brown at letishab@vt.edu by Tuesday, June 1st, 2021 for consideration. Follow up interviews will be held during the week of June 14th via zoom. Notifications will go out to all who submit an application by June 11th, 2021.