

## 2022-2023 SPINE RESEARCH ASSISTANTS AT RUSH UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

*Are you pre-med? Are you planning a gap year? If so, consider applying to this Clinical Research Assistant Position with Dr. Kern Singh at Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush.*

Dr. Singh is searching for motivated pre-medical students to work in the capacity of a research assistant. Our team will be composed of 2 clinical research coordinators/fellows (4th year medical students), 3 research assistants, as well as Dr. Singh and his clinical staff. We are looking for hardworking, self-motivated, and honest people for this position.

**Position Title:** Clinical Research Assistant

**Positions:** 3

**Where:** Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush University Medical Center, Spine Service, Chicago, IL

**Duration:** 1 year

**When:** Approx. mid-May 2022 to mid-May 2023

**Salary:** A stipend for transportation is provided; as such, we are looking for students who are local and/or have financial support available.

Under the direction of Dr. Kern Singh, MD (Orthopaedic Spine Surgeon and Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at Rush University Medical Center)

The primary responsibilities of this position include:

- Consenting patients for prospective studies and following up on survey results in clinic
- Collecting patient data in clinic or via review of electronic medical records
- Preparing and writing scientific manuscripts, abstracts, presentations, and posters
- Actively maintaining a detailed surgical database with patient information, clinical data, and operative outcomes
- Delivering weekly updates during research meetings
- Collaborating with Research Coordinators along with Surgeons, Fellows, Residents, Physician Assistants, and Medical Assistants

The benefits of the position are the following:

- Opportunity to co-author peer-reviewed publications (between 10-15 articles in major orthopedics/spine journals)
- Improve your CV/resume with a high number of accepted abstracts/posters/presentations
- Networking with medical students/clinical research fellows and orthopaedic residents/fellows/attendings
- Attend national orthopaedics/spine conferences
- Shadow Dr. Singh and observe spinal surgeries
- Direct patient interactions in a clinical setting
- Flexibility with medical school interview season and valuable resources for interview preparation
- Opportunity to network with current research fellows (medical students) as well as past research fellows, orthopaedic residents, and spine fellows
- Learn how to effectively conduct clinical research
- Extensive experience and guidance with preparing manuscripts for publication
- Almost all previous research assistants have successfully matriculated into medical school

Interested candidates should send a brief Cover Letter, CV/resume, and expected starting date to: [spine.rush.research@gmail.com](mailto:spine.rush.research@gmail.com). Please include your first and last name and "Clinical Research Assistant" in the subject line.

**Deadline: 11:59 P.M. March 31st, 2022**

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. The sooner your application is submitted, the more likely you are to attain the position. For more information contact: [spine.rush.research@gmail.com](mailto:spine.rush.research@gmail.com)