CURRENT RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

**Graduate Program:** Anatomy & Cell Biology, Biochemistry, Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Family Medicine, Medical Biophysics, Microbiology & Immunology, Pathology & Lab Medicine, Physiology & Pharmacology, Neuroscience, Surgery

**Research Cluster(s):** Music neuroscience, motor systems, auditory systems

**Supervisor(s):** Dr. Jessica Grahn

**Keywords:** Music, rhythm, fMRI, tDCS, Parkinson's disease

**Vacancies:** 3

**MSc/PhD or Postdoc Available?:** PhD (4 years)

**Description:** I will consider MSc, PhD, and postdoctoral applications, on topics related to rhythm, music, and neuroscience (to see what we do, visit [www.jessicagrahn.com](http://www.jessicagrahn.com)). In general, projects tend to include some combination of behavioural studies, gait (some with Parkinson’s patients), neuroimaging, EEG, tDCS/tACS brain stimulation, and cross-species work. We examine the fundamentals of behavioural rhythm perception, neural mechanisms of rhythm and beat perception, the effect of music on movement, music and memory, and more. Graduate students should apply by December/early Jan to ensure consideration.

**To Apply:** Applicants must independently apply to the program using the online Western application portal, including a clear reference to the supervisor

**Application Deadline:** None at this time

**Contact Information:** Questions regarding the application process, or inquiries about the program may be addressed to the Academic Programs Coordinator, for more information about the description/design of the project, you may contact Dr. Grahn directly: jgrahn@uwo.ca
**Graduate Program:** Anatomy & Cell Biology, Biochemistry, Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Family Medicine, Medical Biophysics, Microbiology & Immunology, Pathology & Lab Medicine, Physiology & Pharmacology, Neuroscience, Surgery

**Research Cluster(s):**
- Supervisor(s): Dr. Sue Peters
- **Keywords:** Gait, sensorimotor mechanisms, rehabilitation
- **Vacancies:** 1
- **MSc/PhD or Postdoc Available?:** PhD (4 years)

**Description:** The objective of this project is to uncover fundamental neural mechanisms that underpin naturalistic locomotion in humans, with manipulations to posture and 1) somatosensation and 2) motor performance. We are looking to work with students with experience in neuroimaging, and/or gait kinematics, with an interest in exploring neural activation that links with behavioural elements that underpin locomotion in humans.

**To Apply:** Applicants must independently apply to the program using the online Western application portal, including a clear reference to the supervisor.

**Application Deadline:** None at this time

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Research Cluster(s):

Supervisor(s): Dr. Paul Gribble

Keywords: human; motor control; motor learning; somatosensory; computational models

Vacancies: 2

MSc/PhD or Postdoc Available?: MSc/PhD (4 years)

Description: I am recruiting MSc and PhD graduate students interested in studying the neural control of human voluntary movement. In my lab we study basic scientific questions about human sensory and motor systems. We study how the brain controls voluntary movement, and how plasticity in sensory and motor brain areas supports motor learning. We use human empirical studies of upper limb movement and motor learning. Techniques include kinematics, EMG, robot forces, EEG, fMRI, TMS, SEPs. We also use computational models of the upper limb neuromuscular system, controlled using recurrent neural networks.

To Apply: Applicants must independently apply to the program using the online Western application portal, including a clear reference to the supervisor.

Application Deadline: None at this time

Contact Information: Questions regarding the application process, or inquiries about the program may be addressed to the Academic Programs Coordinator, for more information about the description/design of the project, you may contact Dr. Gribble directly: pgribble@uwo.ca
Graduate Program: Anatomy & Cell Biology, Biochemistry, Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Family Medicine, Medical Biophysics, Microbiology & Immunology, Pathology & Lab Medicine, Physiology & Pharmacology, Neuroscience, Surgery

Research Cluster(s):

Supervisor(s): Dr. Jody Culham

Keywords: Cognitive neuroscience, vision, real world, virtual reality, video games

Vacancies: 2

MSc/PhD or Postdoc Available?: MSc (2 years), PhD (4 years)

Description: The CulhamARI Lab investigates how vision is used for perception, cognition, and the control of actions in the real world. Research focuses on new paradigms that move cognitive neuroscience research closer to the real world. Recent projects use virtual reality and video games to simulate how features of the real world like 3D vision and active control of one's environment affect brain and behavior.

To Apply: Applicants must independently apply to the program using the online Western application portal, including a clear reference to the supervisor.

Application Deadline: None at this time

Contact Information: Questions regarding the application process, or inquiries about the program may be addressed to the Academic Programs Coordinator, for more information about the description/design of the project, you may contact Dr. Culham directly: jculham@uwo.ca
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Graduate Program:
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Research Cluster(s):
Psychology (Cognitive, Developmental and Brain Sciences)

Supervisor(s):
Dr. Laura Batterink

Keywords:
language learning, memory, sleep-dependent memory consolidation, EEG

Vacancies:
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MSc/PhD or Postdoc Available?:
MSc (2 years), PhD (4 years)

Description:
Research in our lab focuses on understanding how implicit and explicit memory mechanisms, occurring during both wake and sleep, contribute to different aspects of language learning. Our research leverages EEG, event-related potentials (ERPs), polysomnography, and other neuroimaging methods. 

To Apply:
Applicants must independently apply to the program using the online Western application portal, including a clear reference to the supervisor

Application Deadline:
None at this time

Contact Information:
Questions regarding the application process, or inquiries about the program may be addressed to the Academic Programs Coordinator, for more information about the description/design of the project, you may contact Dr. Batterink directly: lbatter@uwo.ca
**Graduate Program:** Anatomy & Cell Biology, Biochemistry, Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Family Medicine, Medical Biophysics, Microbiology & Immunology, Pathology & Lab Medicine, Physiology & Pharmacology, Neuroscience, Surgery

**Research Cluster(s):** Cognitive & Developmental Brain Sciences

**Supervisor(s):** Dr. Morgan Gustison

**Keywords:** social behavior, communication, neuroethology, behavioral neuroscience, rodent models

**Vacancies:** 2

**MSc/PhD or Postdoc Available?:** MSc/PhD (2 year duration)

**Description:** Our lab has open positions for graduate students interested in the neurobiology and evolution of social behavior. Core projects involve investigations into neural substrates that regulate how individuals communicate when they form and maintain social relationships. Our primary study species is the prairie vole, a monogamous rodent. Females and males develop long-term relationships, or pair bonds, and raise offspring together. We are looking to work with students who have experience with animal research. Please contact Dr. Gustison directly for more details.

**To Apply:** Applicants must independently apply to the program using the online Western application portal, including a clear reference to the supervisor

**Application Deadline:** None at this time

**Contact Information:** Questions regarding the application process, or inquiries about the program may be addressed to the Academic Programs Coordinator, for more information about the description/design of the project, you may contact Dr. Gustison directly: mgustiso@uwo.ca