

Job Title: Project Lead for Assessment Framework for AI Soft Skills Performance Evaluation

Specialty Areas: Applied Linguistics; Language Acquisition; Assessments

Required Language(s): English (eng)

Title: Project Lead

Start Date: June 1 Duration: full or part time position for up to 6 months, possibility of extension

Description:

About LearningBranch:

LearningBranch is a growing start-up based out of Vancouver and Montreal.

Educational institutions and corporations use our cloud-based language and communication skill practice platform to deliver listening/speaking training and assessment. We focus on the competencies needed to perform in real life interactions. Our technology incorporates experiential and scenario-based training using voice recording, webcam recording, speech recognition, asynchronous mark-up and collaboration.

We are looking for talented people to join us who have an interest in communication, language and engaging learners.

About the position:

Recently we acquired funding to develop a soft-skill assessment framework that predicts an individual's ability to communicate effectively and appropriately in real-world customer service interactions. We are now searching for a project lead to develop this framework.

Work with a team of 2 others: the LearningBranch ASR specialist who will act as supervisor/company liaison on the project and a student intern.

Qualifications: Looking for PhD - Post-Doc or possibly Masters candidate with the following qualifications:

- Be familiar with skill acquisition theory in a language learning context, and with issues related to skill transfer and skill assessment
- Have knowledge of or an interest in communication "soft skills" relevant to spoken interactions in the work place (e.g., paraphrasing, active listening) - Experience developing and validating language learning assessment tools, ideally related to social spoken-interaction skills
- Experience related to assessing learners' competence in performing social pragmatic skills during spoken interactions
- Experience creating conversational role-play exercises for language learners
- Ability to analyze datasets to understand relationships between skill training and real-world performance

Requirements: Must be Canadian citizen or able to work in Canada

Location: Virtual. Head office is in Vancouver and team meetings take place in Vancouver or

Montreal. We offer a flexible workplace and are looking for people who can perform in that environment.

Application Deadline: 25-May-2018

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