



Field Research Assistant

Brooklyn Greenway Initiative (BGI) with our partners is conducting a comprehensive study of the Brooklyn Waterfront Greenway, documenting use and user demographics to create a baseline by which impact of the Greenway can be measured over time and resources best allocated to its timely completion and long-term care. The Brooklyn Waterfront Greenway User Study will collect quantitative and qualitative data to better understand how the Greenway is currently used and the communities it serves. Working on this study can be a fascinating, rewarding experience. If you are a reliable self-starter with an interest in New York City, public spaces, urban planning, social research, and/or sustainability this position may be right for you.

For immediate hire: BGI seeks motivated folks with a commitment to excellence to collect data at key locations along the 26-mile Brooklyn Waterfront Greenway. The primary role of the Field Research Assistants will be to conduct intercept surveys and record observations at select locations. Field research will take place seasonally, and hours will vary each month.

Responsibilities include:

- Conducting intercept interviews of Greenway users about how they use the Greenway according to an established research protocol;
- Recording survey answers and field observations on a tablet, using Google Forms, Survey Monkey, or another like survey platform;
- Travelling to established field research locations near and along the Brooklyn Waterfront Greenway;
- Working with a partner to conduct intercept surveys and field observations;
- Being responsible for data collection equipment and other field research supplies.

This position is outdoors and requires 6-7 hours of work each scheduled day for the duration of the field period. This is a part-time, seasonal position with variable hours which will include some weekend days and evenings.

Required Qualifications:

- Excellent communication skills and comfort approaching and talking to strangers;
- Have experience using a smartphone and/or tablet, with skills including connecting to Wi-Fi;
- Ability to stand for extended periods of time, being outdoors for the extent of the shift, including in the summer and winter months, and walking to survey locations when necessary;
- Availability to work according to seasonal field research schedule: up to 8 hours per day, including some weekend days, 3 days a week, for up to 3 weeks each of 4 seasons;
- Ability to travel to locations along the Brooklyn Waterfront Greenway;
- In compliance with federal law, all persons hired will be required to verify identity and eligibility to work in the United States and to complete the required employment eligibility verification form upon hire.
- Bonus: Familiarity with Spanish, Yiddish, Russian, Chinese, or Arabic.
- Bonus: Interest in, experience with, or related coursework in transportation, public space, sustainability and urban planning.



COVID-19 Protocol: This position involves meeting and talking to people outside. Protecting the health and safety of our employees and survey participants is a top priority for BGI. Based on recommendations from the CDC and other public health authorities, we require staff to protect and monitor their health while working on their assignment, which may include the use of personal protective equipment, regular testing for COVID-19, or other screening activities. Personal protective equipment will be provided.

Compensation: \$18 per hour. This is a part-time, seasonal position.

Application Process: Please send your resume via email with "Field Research Assistant" in the subject line to akrassner@brooklyngreenway.org. **Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until October 15, 2021. Position will start in October.**

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About BGI

Brooklyn Greenway Initiative (BGI) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization committed to the development, establishment and long-term stewardship of the Brooklyn Waterfront Greenway – a 26-mile protected and landscaped route for pedestrians and cyclists of all ages and abilities that, when complete, will connect Brooklyn's storied and iconic waterfront, parks and open space, commercial and cultural corridors, and new tech and innovation hubs for 2.65 million Brooklyn residents, over 1.1 million people who work in Brooklyn, and more than 15 million annual visitors from across the City and around the world.