

## POSTDOC DESCRIPTION

We have an exciting opportunity for a postdoctoral researcher to help us study the behavior and “gut-brain axis” of Kinda baboons at Kasanka National Park, Zambia. This is a NSF funded position (awarded to PI Kamilar) that will be based at Kasanka for approximately one year. A second year may be possible, which would be based at UMass Amherst and focus on genetic/genomic analyses. The ideal candidate will: 1) be skilled at both working independently and as part of a diverse team of international colleagues, 2) have experience collecting behavioral data from wild primates, 3) have experience mentoring junior colleagues, 4) have experience with genetic/genomic methods or be enthusiastic about learning them. Other collaborators on the project include: Kenny Chiou (Arizona State), Benjamin Mubemba (Copperbelt U), Megan Petersdorf (Durham), India Schneider-Crease (Arizona State), and Anna Weyher (UMass). More information about the Kamilar Lab can be found here ([www.kamilarlab.org](http://www.kamilarlab.org)) and more information about the Kasanka Baboon Project can be found here (<http://kasankababoonproject.com/>).

Applicants should have a PhD in anthropology, biology, or a related field. Applicants should submit a cover letter (2 page max, single spaced) outlining their training, background, and suitability for the position, along with a CV and the names and contact information for 3 referees to Jason Kamilar ([jkamilar@umass.edu](mailto:jkamilar@umass.edu)). We will start reviewing applications on June 10, 2023. We anticipate an August 15, 2023 start date. Minimum annual salary is \$52,024 (depending on previous time serving as a postdoc) plus benefits.

Women and people from traditionally under-represented groups in biological anthropology are strongly encouraged to apply.