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## Junior Specialist Cognitive Neuroscience

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Dear Hiring Manager,

I am responding to your need for a Junior Specialist in Cognitive Neuroscience at the Center for Mind and Brain. I earned a B.A. in Linguistics and a B.S. in Cognitive Science from U.C.S.C. where I was also involved in conducting multiple phonetic research studies.

My interest in Cognitive Neuroscience stems from a background in clinical diagnostics, comparative medicine, and behavioral research. I strongly believe that interdisciplinary collaborations are one of the primary motivators behind novel insights that lead to effective solutions. I have lead focus groups and workshops in which the diverse backgrounds of the members contributed to the teams reaching their goals.

Research by Dr. Lee Miller on the neural basis of auditory perception and speech recognition as well as the neuroimaging of music evoked memories and emotion within the Jenata Lab are prime examples of the exciting work that motivates my drive for a Ph.D. I have participated in journal clubs where articles were reviewed and results were presented and discussed. My desire for efficiency led me to seek out a system for organizing the articles. I became familiar with annotation software such as Mendeley, Zotero, Colwiz, and Qiqqa. I decided on adding Qiqqa to my workflow. I would be happy to share my journal article annotation software comparison.

I take my organizational tools quite seriously. I make use of enterprise level project management and time management software in order to maintain a handle on coursework, meetings, committees, and the various independent projects that I am involved with. A brief sample of some of the tools that I bring with me are the use of Gantt charts, Kanban boards, and Pomodoro techniques. Of course, things do not always go according to plan. Due to that, I also bring with me contingency plans, patience, and understanding. As well as a bit of humor. How many linguists does it take to fix a lightbulb? Contact me to find out.

Sincerely,

Ruben Alfredo Sanchez

Attached: resume