**Undergraduate Research Assistant Application (2021)**

**Dr. Channell**

*Thank you for your interest in Dr. Channell’s Intellectual Disabilities Communication Lab (IDCL)! The IDCL focuses primarily on the development of communication skills in children, adolescents, and young adults with Down syndrome and other intellectual disabilities. Sometimes, we work directly with these individuals and their families. Other times, we focus more on processing and analyzing the data that have been collected from these families.*

*Duties in this lab involve a range of activities such as data processing, data entry, language sample transcription and coding, behavioral coding of video data, and administrative work. There are also opportunities to become involved with data analysis and interpretation as well as poster/oral presentations or manuscript writing. Undergraduate students may be asked to work on a volunteer basis for a period of time before committing to research credit hours. To apply to work in the IDCL, please complete the information below and return to Dr. Channell.*

**Student Contact Information**

Name: Date of Application:

Email: Phone Number:

**Background & Interests**

Major: Planned Graduation Month/Year:

Minor: Current GPA:

Please list any classes you have taken with Dr. Channell and the term:

Based on our lab’s description above, (a) what do you think are your relevant strengths, and (b) which activities do you think best fit those strengths?

Why do you want to become involved in this research?

What are your future career goals/plans?

Describe any prior research experience you may have.

Describe any experience you may have working directly with children.

Describe any experience you may have with individuals with developmental disabilities and/or their families.

**Research Availability**

Are you able to commit to at least2 consecutive semesters in this lab, if asked?

Approximately how many hours per week would you be able to work in this lab? (Typically, undergraduates commit to 3 or 6 hours (equivalent of 1 to 2 credit hours), but this varies based on your schedule.)

**Schedule for Semester in Which You are Applying to Start in the Lab**

If known, please include a copy of your schedule (classes and any other regular times that you are unavailable during the week). If you wish, you can also indicate preferred lab days and/or times that work best with your schedule.