

Research Assistantship Opportunity for an Economics PhD Student

Job description:

Profs. Heather Sarsons (Chicago Booth), Sara Lowes (UC San Diego), and Raissa Fabregas (UT Austin) are looking for a PhD student with a strong background in data analysis to work as a part-time Research Assistant on a project focused on gender disparities and anti-social behavior in the labor market. The project will use data from the German Federal Employment Agency at the Institute for Employment Research (IAB), which requires on-site access in one of the following areas: **Berlin, Vancouver or Ann Arbor**. We are currently only considering candidates based in one of those locations.

The position would be a very good fit for anyone looking to be exposed to cutting-edge economics research, with an interest in applied microeconomics, especially on topics related to gender inequality.

Start date:

We are looking for a candidate who can start in the Spring 2021 semester. Depending on start date, commitment may vary from at least 6 months up to one year (possibly longer, depending on mutual interest). Must be available to work for roughly 5-10 hours per week but there is flexibility on how to allocate hours.

Roles and Responsibilities:

Conduct data analysis using Stata

Organize and prepare do-files

Conduct literature reviews

Coordinate and prepare research permits

Directly report to and work together with PIs on all of the above-mentioned activities

Desired qualifications and Experience:

An ongoing PhD degree in economics (or similar background with quantitative focus)

Hands on experience on working with micro data and excellent knowledge of applied econometric methods

Excellent academic record

Knowledge of Stata (required) and Latex (required)

Strong organizational skills, excellent written and verbal communication skills in English

Experience accessing and managing data from the German Federal Employment Agency at the Institute for Employment Research is a strong plus

How to Apply

Send an email to rfabregas@utexas.edu following these instructions:

- In the subject line: Research Associate Position – Followed by your name
- Please attach your CV and a short cover letter noting:
 - o Why are you interested in this position
 - o When would you be able to start, and until when can you commit to work for this project
Please clarify time availability. Example: "I can commit to work 10 hours a week starting in March 2021"

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted for an interview. Compensation will be commensurate to experience and background.