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# Term Research Assistant

Cambridge, MA, US

Worker Category : **Other Full-Time**

**JOB DESCRIPTION:** Full time research assistant to Princeton University Assistant Professor Christopher A. Neilson, positioned at NBER Cambridge, MA

I am looking to hire full time research assistants, primarily to begin in the Fall of 2017 and plan to work for at least one year, but I am open to applications from students interested in other start dates and lengths of employment. This position will entail close collaboration and assistance with all stages of various empirical research projects analyzing technological innovations in school choice mechanisms. See this project as an example

<http://schoolchoicemechanisms.azurewebsites.net/> (<http://schoolchoicemechanisms.azurewebsites.net/>)

Candidates should have a long-term interest in pursuing a PhD in economics and interested in applying innovations in data science and economics to public policy. Specifically: economics topics related to labor economics, industrial organization, market design, information economics and how these relate to public policy.

Bachelor's degree is required. An undergraduate degree specializing in economics, engineering or computer science is preferred. Preference will be given to candidates with proven programming experience. Prior experience with Stata, Matlab and Python is preferred.

The position is located at the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) in Cambridge, Massachusetts, with the opportunity to interact with undergraduates, graduate students, and faculty from Harvard, MIT, and other Boston-area schools. Annual salary is \$50,000, with benefits including access to the NBER's employee health insurance plan starting on the first of the month following the employee's start date

**TO APPLY:** Please upload a single PDF document containing the following materials into the application:

- A cover letter describing:
  - b. Your interest in this position
  - c. Your familiarity with programming languages
  - d. Your prior experience as a research assistant and/or with independent research projects
  - e. Names and e-mail addresses of 2-3 references
- A current CV
- An unofficial transcript

Applications will be considered on a rolling basis.

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