

Stanford Law School Empirical Research Fellowship

Description

Assist with the research of Professors John J. Donohue (<https://law.stanford.edu/directory/john-j-donohue-iii/>), Jacob Goldin (<https://sites.google.com/site/jacobsgoldin/>), Daniel Ho (<https://law.stanford.edu/directory/daniel-e-ho/>), Daniel Kessler (<https://law.stanford.edu/directory/daniel-p-kessler/>) and Alison Morantz (<https://law.stanford.edu/directory/alison-d-morantz/>) at Stanford Law School (<https://law.stanford.edu/>). Designed for graduating seniors or recent college or master's program graduates, fellowships provide a unique opportunity for those considering graduate school, law school and/or business school in the future.

Prior Research Fellows have matriculated to Ph.D. programs at Harvard, Stanford, Yale, MIT, Princeton, Columbia, and NYU and law school at Harvard, Yale, Stanford and Columbia. They have been drawn from a variety of undergraduate disciplines, including economics, political science, applied math, public policy, statistics, engineering, and computer science.

Successful applicants will be matched with a specific professor based on background and interests. As full-time Stanford University employees, fellows will receive a competitive salary and benefits package, including full medical and dental insurance, access to campus athletic and academic facilities, paid vacation time, professional development funds and the capacity to audit Stanford courses and attend on-campus lectures and seminars free of charge.

Commitment

Full-time, starting Spring/Summer 2018. Fellowships are full-time positions lasting approximately one year, with an option to renew for a second year by mutual agreement of the professor and the fellow.

Responsibilities

Job responsibilities vary by position, but involve all aspects of the research process including:

- Conceptualization of suitable empirical methodologies and models
- Collecting, managing, and structuring quantitative datasets
- Statistical analyses of complex datasets and interpretation of results
- Communication with government officials, industry stakeholders and research collaborators
- Report writing and manuscript preparation

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree, preferably in the social sciences or another relevant field
- Outstanding academic credentials and intellectual creativity
- Eagerness to take initiative and solve intricate problems
- Excellent time-management skills and ability to work effectively with minimal supervision
- Experience in a quantitative discipline such as economics, political science, statistics, applied math or engineering
- Exceptional research and analytical writing skills
- Programming experience in Stata, SAS, R, Python or other languages is preferred, but not required
- Prior research experience and coursework in the empirical social sciences is preferred, but not required

How to Apply

There will be two rounds of application review. The deadline for the first round is **7:00AM PST on Monday, October 30, 2017**. The deadline for the second round is **7:00AM PST on Monday, January 8, 2018**. *Applications will be evaluated on a rolling basis and preference will be given to first-round applicants.* The position is visa sponsorship eligible (H1B) and applicants with OPT are also eligible for this position.

Please submit your application materials using the form below.

Stanford Law School Research Fellowship Application 2018

Applicant Information

Name*
 First Last
 Email*

 How did you hear about this fellowship?*

Education

Highest Degree Earned*

Bachelor's Degree

School*

 Major*

Additional Major?

No ▼

Year Degree Conferred or Expected (yyyy)*

GPA Scale*

4.0 ▼

Cumulative GPA (x.xx)*

Are you applying for graduate school (or considering applying) for fall 2018?*

No ▼

Programming Experience

Prior Experience with Programming?*

No ▼

Documents to Upload

1. Cover Letter

Please explain your interest in the position in a brief cover letter. Be as concrete as possible about what you would bring to this research fellowship and why you feel you are a good fit for the job. Also, if applicable, be sure to explain your experience with any statistical software packages (STATA, R, SAS, etc.) and/or programming languages (Python, Java, C++, etc.). [Max file size: 32 MB]

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2. Resume

Please upload your most current resume. [Max file size: 32 MB]

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3. Transcript

Please submit a copy of your undergraduate transcript here. If you have earned academic credit from multiple institutions and/or attended graduate school, you may submit multiple files corresponding to each institution attended. Please do not submit any locked or encrypted pdfs. [Max file size: 32 MB]

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4. Writing Sample

Please submit a writing sample, preferably relevant to social science. When choosing a writing sample for submission, please keep the following in mind:

- CONTENT: An ideal writing sample will be an empirical piece that utilizes well-known empirical, econometric, or statistical methodologies to analyze a research question. This usually involves substantive data analysis and/or data visualization.

- SOURCE: Writing samples may be drawn from an honors thesis, published journal article, class writing sample, etc. Other writing samples will be accepted if you do not have a sample that fits under the above description. The most important requirement of the writing sample is that you are either the sole author or a main contributor to the work. For example, we would greatly prefer reading a paper written solely by the applicant for a class assignment than a paper published in a reputable social science journal to which the applicant actually contributed very little work.

- ADDITIONAL WRITING SAMPLES: Please feel free to submit additional writing samples in the Additional Documents section if you are unsure about which writing sample to submit.

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5. References

Please provide the contact information (Name, Title, Institution, Phone, E-mail and Relationship to Applicant) of at least two references, preferably ones who could ideally speak to your academic research skills. We are only requesting contact information and not letters of recommendation, although letters, if available, can be submitted either under Additional Documents below or via email to fellows@law.stanford.edu. [Max file size: 32 MB]

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6. Additional Documents

Please upload additional application materials you would like us to consider. For example, standardized test scores (e.g. GRE, LSAT, GMAT) will be considered, but are not required.

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Submission Confirmation

After clicking submit, the website should take you to a confirmation page and send a confirmation email. If the form simply resets, you have NOT successfully submitted your application. Please check the sizes of uploaded files.

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Questions

Please see our FAQ page (<https://law.stanford.edu/empirical-research-fellowship-faq/>). If your question is not addressed there, please email us at fellows@law.stanford.edu. Do not contact the professors or their support staff with any questions about hiring.

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