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Professor [Sean Higgins](#) is looking to hire a full-time **Research Assistant**, based in Chile or remote. We are collaborating with Comisión para el Mercado Financiero (CMF), the Chilean financial regulator, to better understand how technology can improve consumers' decision-making in financial markets (together with Dr. Erik Berwart (CMF), Dr. Sheisha Kulkarni (University of Virginia) and Dr. Santiago Truffa (Universidad de los Andes, Chile)). The [project](#) combines large administrative data sets with a randomized control trial (RCT).

The ideal candidate is fluent in both English and Spanish with a strong academic record, a bachelor's or master's degree, experience performing statistical analyses in R, Python, or Stata, and interest in going on to a PhD program in economics, finance, or public policy. If based in Chile, the RA would have an office at the ESE Business School at Universidad de los Andes in Santiago, and would also be expected to spend a few hours per week at CMF's offices in downtown Santiago. Previous research assistants that have worked with Professor Higgins have been accepted to PhD programs at top universities including Berkeley, Harvard, MIT, Northwestern, UT Austin, and Yale.

Research duties include:

- Performing statistical analyses on large data sets using R, Python, or Stata
- Designing and running experiments
- Writing up results for presentations and publications
- Conducting literature reviews

If interested, please send an email **as soon as possible** to andres.cruz@kellogg.northwestern.edu with the subject line "Chile RA Application." Please include the following as part of your application:

- A brief description of your career or academic goals, your experience with economic research (e.g., as a research assistant or your senior thesis), and a description of your programming background
- One or more scripts (i.e. files with programming code) that you have written to analyze data in either R, Python, or Stata
- A current CV
- Your undergraduate (and graduate if applicable) GPA

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. The starting date is negotiable, with a **preferred start date around early/mid July 2021.**