

Pre-Doctoral Research Assistant Position

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Professors Aviv Nevo and Pinar Yildirim at the Marketing Department of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania are seeking to recruit one highly skilled and motivated individual to join as a pre-doctoral research assistant. During the one or two-year assistantship, the successful candidate will work under the supervision of Professors Nevo and Yildirim.

This position is a great opportunity for students looking to apply to top Ph.D. programs in marketing or economics. Previous RAs have been successfully placed into top PhD programs. In addition to closely working with faculty members, you will get a chance learn about the research areas in marketing, audit Ph.D. seminars, and attend workshops at the University of Pennsylvania.

Primary Duties: The pre-doctoral fellow will work on projects related to industrial organization and microeconomics. Primary duties include collecting and summarizing data using STATA, Python, MATLAB, or R, carrying out reduced form analyses on large datasets, creating data exhibits, providing statistical analysis reports, developing expertise in new research methodologies and techniques.

Requirements: Successful candidates should have a well-demonstrated interest in applied microeconomic research, strong communication skills, and must be proficient in Stata, R, SQL, Matlab, and Python. Applicants must have completed a bachelor's or master's degree in economics, mathematics, computer science, quantitative sciences, or business-related field. Former research experience relevant to economic sciences is a plus.

Application: Interested candidates should send a combined pdf with title in format "lastname_name_school.pdf" with documents in the following order: (1) a one page cover letter indicating goals and interests, (2) resume, (3) transcript, (4) a writing sample, (5) a code sample in R, Stata, Python or Matlab to Pinar Yildirim at pyild@wharton.upenn.edu. Please include "Marketing Research Associate Application [Your Name]" in the subject field of your email.

Upon the review of initial application materials, applicants will be given a coding task to test their match to the position in R, Stata, or Python.

The approval of the position is subject to funding. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis until the position is filled. The position will begin on June 1, 2020 but there is flexibility on the exact start date.

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