Full-Time Research Assistant Position at UCLA Anderson

Job Description:

UCLA Anderson Professors Jennifer Kao, Chris Poliquin, and Melanie Wasserman are looking to hire a full time research assistant to begin July 2020 and to work for at least one year. The position will entail close collaboration and assistance with all stages of empirical research in health, labor, and organizational economics. Examples of the types of projects include understanding drivers of innovation among firms in the US healthcare sector, examining gender differences in occupational choice, and studying how technological change affects wages and organizational structure.

Qualifications

The ideal candidate will have the following qualifications:

- Strong quantitative background
- Strong computer skills including experience with statistical software such as Stata, R, and/or Python
- Ability to work independently
- Background in economics a plus, but not necessary. (Candidates with strong technical backgrounds who are looking for more exposure to economics are welcomed.)
- Prior research assistant experience strongly preferred
- Excellent grades required

This position is ideal for research candidates looking to develop their empirical research skills in preparation for applying to PhD programs in economics, business, or a related field. Preference will be given to detail-oriented applicants with previous programming experience, particularly in working with large datasets.

The position will be based in Los Angeles and the successful candidate will be able to participate in academic life at UCLA, including the ability to attend research seminars. Telecommuting from another city is not an option. We offer a competitive salary and authorization for work in the US is required.

Application Process

 Please apply using the online application: <u>hr.mycareer.ucla.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=78805</u>
Please upload the following materials:

A cover letter that includes:

- A brief description of your experience as a research assistant and with any independent research (e.g. thesis or other research projects)
- A description of your familiarity with various programming languages and computer packages (Stata, R, Python, etc.)
- The names of two references (and their email and phone contact information) who will be providing written references. At least one reference must be someone for whom you have worked as a research assistant. Please indicate which references you have worked for as a research assistant.
- The data on which you are available to start work
- A current CV
- A transcript (unofficial is fine). Please include a note about any courses you are currently taking.
- Materials must be submitted by March 28, 2020.
- 2. Please ask your references (2) to send a written letter of recommendation to https://bit.ly/2ICkony. Letters **must** be submitted by **April 15, 2020**.
- 3. Qualified applicants will be invited to complete a data analysis task to demonstrate quantitative proficiency.
- 4. Highly-qualified applicants will be invited to interview.