Research Assistant

JOB DESCRIPTION:

Full-Time Research Assistant to Professor Amanda Kowalski

I am hiring full-time research assistants for positions at Princeton University starting in February 2018 or later and the University of Michigan starting in September 2018. Strong preference will be given to applicants who have potential to work for two years.

Successful candidates will collaborate closely with a research team on projects in the field of health economics. Research assistants are involved in all stages of the research process and are expected to work independently within the scope of their responsibilities. Duties include, but are not limited to, collaborating on research design, conducting data analysis, interpreting results, training other research assistants, and drafting and editing manuscripts and presentations. Research assistants interact with Professor Amanda Kowalski, her co-authors, and other research assistants on a regular basis, and they have the opportunity to attend weekly seminars in economics. For examples of previous research, see http://www.econ.yale.edu/~ak669/research.html.

Candidates should have a long-term interest in pursuing research related to economics. Prior background in health economics or public finance is useful but not necessary; I welcome candidates interested in gaining exposure to these subjects. This position is ideal for candidates looking to develop their empirical research skills in preparation for applying to PhD programs in economics.

Preference will be given to detail-oriented applicants with previous programming experience, particularly in working with large datasets in software such as Stata, SAS, R, or Matlab. Salary will be competitive with other research assistant positions.

TO APPLY: Please email Amanda Kowalski kowalski@nber.org and Matthew Tauzer matthew.tauzer@yale.edu a single PDF document named “Lastname_Firstname” containing the following materials:
1. A cover letter describing:
   a. Your interest in this position and how you learned about it
   b. The start and end dates during which you would be available to fill this position
   c. Your familiarity with programming languages (e.g. Stata, SAS, Matlab, ArcGIS)
   d. Your prior experience as a research assistant and/or with independent research projects (e.g. a thesis or other research project)
   e. A previous experience that involved working in a team environment
   f. Whether you require Visa sponsorship, and if so, what type
   g. Names, e-mail addresses, and phone numbers of 2-3 references (letters not required)
2. A current CV
3. All relevant undergraduate and graduate transcripts (unofficial is fine)
4. An original research paper (if available)

Applications will be considered on a rolling basis, and I will remove this posting when the positions are filled.

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