Position: Full-Time Research Assistant for Professor Anya Samek

Description of Job Responsibilities:

This full-time research assistant position, working with Economics professor Anya Samek is for individuals interested in behavioral economics research and likely to pursue a PhD in economics. The preferred start date is January 2021, but we are open to candidates who can start in May/June 2021. The position may be based either at UC-San Diego, or at the field site in Chicago, IL. Interested candidates should indicate their willingness to be based at either location.

The position is assisting on projects on understanding the impact of early childhood education on long-term outcomes (including health outcomes).

Research assistants are directly involved in the entire research process, including:

- Data analysis, cleaning and management (Stata knowledge required)
- Grant writing
- Experiment design and implementation (such as writing procedures and scripts for experiments, coordinating the implementation "on the ground" with a team of student workers, managing recruitment, participant communication and payments).
- Background research and literature reviews for writing academic papers and grants.
- Data compiling and presentation (including designing figures for papers, paper editing,
- and the potential for small writing assignments, such as blog posts)
- Research related administrative tasks, e.g., IRB applications and student worker hiring.

Required background:

- BS/BA in Economics/Math or related
- Experience as an undergraduate RA preferred
- Knowledge of Stata, Excel
- Strong organizational skills and high motivation.
- Leadership and communication skills
- An interest in behavioral economics, health economics or public economics
- Strong writing skills

Logistical note:

• The position is funded by two grants, which are administered by different universities, and the salary is split across two part-time positions (both of which report to Anya). It includes benefits from one of the universities.

Salary:

• \$40,000-\$50,000

To apply:

• Please complete a form of interest at: <u>https://forms.gle/VjpSajMu4x1czJn48</u>