

## Vacancy for Research Assistant

Professors Claudia Steinwender (MIT Sloan), Laura Alfaro (Harvard Business School), and Maggie Chen (George Washington) are looking for a part-time or full-time research assistant (RA) for a period of at least 6 months, starting in July or August 2019.

The affiliation and date in the ad need updating: Professors Laura Alfaro (Harvard Business School), Maggie Chen (George Washington), and Claudia Steinwender (Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich) are looking for a part-time or full-time research assistant (RA) for a period of at least 6 months, starting in March 2023.

The RA will work on a project on the role of intermediaries and institutions in firm-level activity in historical Shanghai (around 1850-1945) and will be expected to be responsible for the research and review of historical sources; finding, cleaning, and merging firm-level datasets; and running regression analyses.

### Key requirements:

- Strong Stata skills: Please detail the experience in the CV.
- Ability to conduct empirical regression analysis in Stata, including intense data cleaning and merging
- Familiarity with the problems to draw causal inference from regression analysis and ability to suggest solutions independently
- Experience with Python is a plus
- Experience with textual analysis is a plus
- Diligence and a love for precision and detail in e.g., data cleaning
- Reliability (e.g. with respect to promised deadlines, to do lists)
- Good written communication skills (e.g. proactive and clear updates by email)
- Chinese language skills are a plus, but not required
- Preferably based in Boston
- Current work permit for the United States is necessary (a Foreign National must already be in possession of one of the following types of visas: F-1 CPT, F-1 OPT, F-2, J-1, or J-2)

The ideal candidate has an undergraduate degree in Economics or Economic History, and is planning to take one or several years off to gain practical experience as a research assistant before applying to PhD programs in Economics.

Interested candidates please send CV to Laura Alfaro (lalfaro@hbs.edu), Claudia Steinwender (claudia.steinwender@econ.lmu.de) and jpullis (jpullis@hbs.edu). Please include examples of Stata and Python coding.