

RESEARCH PROFESSIONAL

We are looking for a highly skilled and motivated individual to work as a full-time research professional for a period of one to two years. Preferred start date is July 1st but there is flexibility. Will work with Professor Margarita Tsoutsoura and her co-authors. We offer the flexibility of working remotely within the US. Please note that due to data access requirements U.S. citizenship is required for this position.

The ideal candidate should: (i) have a strong quantitative background; (ii) have strong computer skills including programming and familiarity with statistics software such as Stata and SAS; (iii) have the ability to work independently to solve problems; and (iv) have a long-term interest in pursuing research in economics and or finance. Background in economics is a plus, but not necessary – we welcome candidates with strong technical backgrounds who are looking for more exposure to economics and finance. Previous research assistants have enrolled in top economics and finance PhD programs (UC Berkeley, Northwestern, Columbia, UT Austin, Upenn, UCLA).

PRINCIPAL DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Support ongoing research projects of faculty, compile, manipulate, and analyze data using various search engines and software packages.
- 2. Maintain effective communication with all members of the faculty and outside institutions.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & ABILITIES:

- 1. Bachelors degree required.
- 2. Relevant research experience preferred.
- 3. Familiarity with statistics software such as Sas and Stata required.
- 4. Familiarity with programming languages such as Python and SQL preferred.
- 5. Courses in econometrics and statistics required.
- 6. Ability to train others required.
- 7. Knowledge of research techniques or methods required.
- 8. Analytical and problem solving skills required.
- 9. Excellent and professional verbal, written, and presentation skills, as well as organizational skills and attention to detail, required.
- 10. Ability to handle multiple projects simultaneously are required.
- 11. Ability to work independently, as well as with others, and to meet deadlines under pressure is required.
- 12. Ability to seek out, coordinate, and appropriately disseminate information required.
- 13. A resume and cover letter are required to be considered for this position.

TO APPLY:

Please email Margarita Tsoutsoura tsoutsoura@wustl.edu a *single* PDF document named "Lastname_Firstname" containing the following materials:

- 1. A cover letter describing:
 - a. Your interest in this position
 - 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, Python)
 - 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. 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. Any original research paper (if available)