Stanford Law School

RESEARCH FELLOW, STANFORD LAW SCHOOL (Fixed term) *multi-job posting

Commitment:

Full-time, starting Summer 2021. Some applicants available to start earlier will also be considered. Fellowships last for one year, with an option to renew for a second year by mutual agreement of the professor and the fellow.

Description:

Assist with the research of Professors John J. Donohue, Jacob Goldin, Daniel Ho, Daniel Kessler, and Alison Morantz at Stanford Law School. Designed for graduating seniors or recent college or master's program graduates, the fellowship provides a unique opportunity for those considering graduate school, law school, and/or business school in the future.

Prior Research Fellows have matriculated to Ph.D. programs at Harvard, Stanford, Yale, MIT, Princeton, Columbia, and NYU and law school at Harvard, Yale, Stanford, and Columbia. They have been drawn from a variety of undergraduate disciplines, including economics, political science, applied math, public policy, statistics, engineering, and computer science.

Successful applicants will be matched with a specific professor based on background and interests. As full-time Stanford University employees, fellows will receive a competitive salary and benefits package, including medical, dental, and vision insurance, access to campus athletic and academic facilities (to the extent that any ongoing pandemic restrictions allow), paid vacation time, professional development funds, and the capacity to audit Stanford courses and attend on-campus lectures and seminars free of charge.

Job responsibilities will vary by position, but involve all aspects of the research process including:

- Conceptualization of suitable empirical methodologies and models
- Collecting, managing, and structuring quantitative datasets
- Statistical analyses of complex datasets and interpretation of results
- Communication with government officials, industry stakeholders, and research collaborators
- Report writing and manuscript preparation

Job qualifications:

- Experience in a quantitative discipline such as economics, political science, computer science, statistics, or applied math
- Bachelor's degree, preferably in the social sciences or another relevant field
- Outstanding academic credentials and intellectual creativity
- Eagerness to take initiative and solve intricate problems
- Excellent time-management skills and ability to work effectively with minimal supervision
- Exceptional research and analytical writing skills
- Programming experience in R, Python, Stata, SAS, and/or other languages is strongly preferred
- Prior research experience and coursework in the empirical social sciences is preferred, but not required

How to apply:

There will be two rounds of application review. The deadline for the first round is 7:00AM PST on Monday, October 19, 2020. The deadline for the second round is 7:00AM PST on Monday, January 4, 2021. Applications will be evaluated on a rolling basis and preference will be given to first-round applicants. The fellowship is open to international applications. In the past, we have welcomed fellows who have OPT employment authorization or require J or TN visas. However, due to the pandemic, the availability of a visa or work authorization will depend on current conditions. (Click here for current information on visa restrictions.) Please apply online at https://law.stanford.edu/empirical-research-fellowship/. Make sure to upload each of the following:

- Brief cover letter explaining your interest in the position
- Current resume
- Transcript (unofficial version acceptable)
- Short academic writing sample, preferably empirical or social science-related
- Contact information for at least two references, preferably ones able to speak to academic research skills

If you have any additional comments or questions, please see the FAQs on the fellowship website above. Consistent with its obligations under the law, the University will provide reasonable accommodation to any employee with a disability that requires accommodation to perform the essential functions of their job. Additionally, Stanford is an equal employment opportunity and affirmative action employer. All qualified applications will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.