Research Assistant position with Professor Tarun Jain

Professor Tarun Jain (Reserve Bank of India Chair of Finance and Economics) of the Economics Area at Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad is hiring a Research Assistant based in Ahmedabad, with a minimum commitment of one year, starting immediately.

Requirements

- An **honest and straightforward approach** to communication.
- An open mind to learning new concepts, creativity and hard work.
- MA or MSc in Economics or Statistics, or 4 year Bachelors in Statistics or Economics.
- Statistical programming skills in Stata or similar packages.

Responsibilities

This is a research position in an academic setting. You will assist with empirical analysis on problems in the fields of Public Finance, Labor Economics and Development Economics, leading to journal publications. Examples of responsibilities include:

- Data collection: Running surveys which includes questionnaire design, sampling and survey administration
- Database creation: Supervising data-entry, ensuring data quality, creating dataset ready for estimation
- Econometric estimation: Running regressions and other data analysis
- Literature search, summary, presentation and writing
- Assistance with teaching materials

Benefits

IIMA is a research-intensive environment. You will interact with a range of faculty members, not just me. You will attend regular workshops by both resident as well as visiting faculty members where research papers are presented and discussed. You may enroll for PhD-level courses in microeconomics, econometrics and statistics. The RA group is close-knit and participates in the social and cultural life of the Institute. Salaries are competitive with similar positions in India.

Best match

You should consider yourself a good fit for this position if you think you might want to pursue a PhD, and want to get some experience to see if a research career is for you. Our research areas are labor and development economics, so you will primarily be working on these topics. (Look at my web page to see if my research interests you.) However, the empirical skills you develop will help you in doctoral programs in economics, public policy, finance as well as other areas. The track record of my Research Assistants in top doctoral programs includes admission to PhD programs at Boston College, Boston University, Cornell University, IIM Ahmedabad, Oxford University, Rice University, Tilburg University, University of California Davis, University of California San Diego and University of Southern California, and University of Virginia.

How to apply

Send an email with a copy of your CV (include language fluency) and academic transcript, along with the names of two references to tarunj@iima.ac.in. I will review applications till the position is filled, but please apply before July 15, 2024 for full consideration. I will contact you only in case I decide to interview you.

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