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ECONOMIC RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Maintaining public confidence. It's what we do.

At the FDIC, your work directly supports our core mission of maintaining stability and public confidence in the nation's financial system. Deposit insurance protects everyone who has a bank deposit account. It also protects the entire nation's financial stability. The professional staff of the Division of Insurance and Research (DIR) carries out this essential mission by managing a risk-based deposit insurance system and identifying, monitoring, and addressing risks to the Deposit Insurance Fund (DIF).

Learn and grow

As an Economic Research Assistant (RA), you utilize a wide range of valuable skills. First and foremost, you are a critical thinker who asks relevant questions and actively seeks answers. As such, you may be asked to learn a statistical programming language to analyze trends in bank financial data, develop analytical tools to improve our team's ability to evaluate bank insurance assessments, or explore financial innovations and their potential impact on bank safety and soundness. On any given day, you will find opportunities to learn and grow.

What we offer

We offer competitive and generous benefits programs. We respect work-life balance. The FDIC has consistently ranked among the top federal agencies according to the Best Places to Work in the Federal Government report.

Ready to apply?

Please review the job announcement below and send us your application by October 21, 2019.

Job Locations:

Dallas, Kansas City, and Washington, DC

*Please specify the location(s) for which you would like your application considered.

Job Description:

Economic RAs in DIR research, analyze, and evaluate banking industry and economic information in support of staff research projects, work assignments, and the FDIC's program for identifying, monitoring, and addressing existing and emerging risks to the DIF. They are also responsible for responding to data or information requests from other divisions, agencies, state and local governments and bankers on economic or financial matters. Economic RAs may also research, gather information, and compile

data pertaining to the financial services industry, financial markets, FDIC-insured institutions, as well as national, international, and regional economic developments. They often collaborate with other DIR staff to draft research publications or other FDIC publications that analyze banking and economic trends and conditions. Economic RAs working on the Failed Bank Data Project would assist the staff economists in their analysis of large, complex data collected from failed banks. In addition to maintaining and adding to the structured asset and liability data, Economic RAs will search and analyze failed bank regulatory reports, internal documents, and public news items to provide information relevant to the structured data analysis. Economic RAs in Regional Offices contribute to the analysis of local economic and financial data for the production of written products, outreach presentations, and special projects. The FDIC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Job Start Date:

First quarter 2020

Other Information:

The position is limited to a two-year term, with a possible one-year extension.

Desired Skills & Experience:

U.S. citizenship is required.

In addition, applicants must have the following:

EDUCATION and EXPERIENCE

- 1 - A degree in economics, earned by December 31, 2019, that includes at least 21 semester hours of economics and 3 hours in statistics, accounting, and calculus, **AND**
- 2 - Computer programming skill and experience in the use of statistical packages, **OR** a combination of education and experience, such as courses equivalent to a major in economics, as shown above, plus appropriate experience or additional education in economics and 3 semester hours in statistics, accounting, or calculus.

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- 1 - One year of graduate level education, **OR**
- 2 - Superior academic achievement in undergraduate school that includes a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0.

Position Type:

Full time

Compensation:

As of 2019, the base salary is \$41,206 (plus applicable locality adjustment of 8.08 percent to 27.16 percent).

Required Documents:

1 - Cover Letter – that clearly states the office(s) for which the candidate wishes to be considered.

2 - Resume – that includes the position title of “Economic Research Assistant” as well as the candidate’s name, address, daytime telephone number, email address, and citizenship. More information on federal resumes can be found at <https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/faq/application/documents/resume/what-to-include/>.

3 - Transcript – that includes all coursework being used to qualify for the education requirements of the position. An unofficial transcript is acceptable for the initial application.

How to Apply:

Interested applicants should send their application package by email to EconomistCareers@FDIC.gov or by fax to (202) 898-7170. To be considered, application packages must include a cover letter, resume, and transcript with the content outlined above. Incomplete or mailed applications will not be considered.

Eligible candidates wishing to claim Veterans’ Preference (details at <https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/unique-hiring-paths/veterans/>) must provide the applicable DD-214 (for the 5 point veterans’ preference) or Standard form 15 (for the 10 point veterans’ preference).

Please direct all questions regarding Economic RA positions to Brian Johnson at (202) 898-3953.

Visit the FDIC’s website at <http://www.fdic.gov/about/jobs/> for information on compensation, benefits, and other FDIC employment opportunities.

The FDIC is committed to ensuring equal opportunity in the employment of all persons, including persons with disabilities, persons with targeted disabilities, and disabled veterans.