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Three part-time research assistants for ERC project, starting in August 2024, UPF, Barcelona

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Job Information

Organisation/Company	Pompeu Fabra University
Department	Economics and Business
Research Field	Economics » Financial science
Researcher Profile	First Stage Researcher (R1)
Positions	Master Positions
Country	Spain

Application Deadline	4 Jul 2024 - 23:00 (Europe/Madrid)
Type of Contract	Other
Type of Contract Extra Information	Open-ended
Job Status	Part-time
Hours Per Week	15 and 20
Is the job funded through the EU Research Framework Programme?	HE / ERC
Is the Job related to staff position within a Research Infrastructure?	No

Offer Description

Job announcement: ECON-PSR-INDF-2024-23

Position overview

For an ERC-funded research project in Finance, Prof. Kuvshinov seeks to hire three part-time research assistants starting in August 2024 (one working 20 hours/week and two working 15 hours/week). The research assistants will collect, clean and organize data, perform data analysis and coding for academic research projects, and conduct academic literature reviews (full details in sections below).

Job location

Barcelona, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF), Ciutadella Campus, Department of Economics and Business. The work is to be carried at the campus. About UPF: <https://www.upf.edu/web/universitat> About the Department of Economics and Business: <https://www.upf.edu/web/econ/publications>

Funding body

EU's Horizon Europe programme. European Research Council Starting grant 'Safety, Liquidity, and Crises', 2024–2028. Principal investigator: Dmitry Kuvshinov, Assistant Professor at UPF, Affiliated Professor at the Barcelona School of Economics, and Research Affiliate at the CEPR.

More information: <https://dkuvshinov.com/#erc>

Job offer

Research Support Staff in Finance and Accounting, Department of Economics and Business, Pompeu Fabra University.

Type of contract

Open-ended, in accordance with decree RD 32/2021 of 28 December, 2021. The contracts will end with the completion of the tasks described under the Job Description section.

Incompatibilities: This contract might be incompatible with other contracts or with the applicant's legal status in Spain. Employer: Universitat Pompeu Fabra. Starting date: August 2024.

Where to apply

E-mail mariona.novoa@upf.edu

Requirements

Research Field Economics » Financial science

Education Level Bachelor Degree or equivalent

Skills/Qualifications

Job description

The successful candidates will carry out the following tasks to develop the datasets on sectoral financial balance sheets, and prices and liquidity of safe and risky financial instruments.

- Collecting, cleaning and organising data on financial balance sheets and quantities of safe assets for selected countries (Italy, Japan, UK)
- Collecting, cleaning, and organising data on prices and bid-ask spreads in historical stock exchange listings for selected countries (Switzerland, US).
- Analysis of the collected data using the appropriate software (e.g., Stata, R, Python).
- Academic literature review for articles on Financial Economics (search for relevant literature; evaluate sources; identify themes, debates, gaps; review writing).

Reporting line: this position reports to the principal investigator of the project.

Specific Requirements

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EXPERIENCE

Required: experience with working with data for scientific research.

Desired: previous jobs as a research assistant in academia or similar research environments.

QUALIFICATIONS

Required: Completed Bachelor's degree in Economics or related field. Desirable: Master's degree in Economics or related fields, completed or in the final year.

SKILLS / KNOWLEDGE

Required:

Advanced or proficiency level of Excel. Scientific software: Advanced or proficiency command of Stata. Languages: Advanced level in English, both spoken and written. Knowledge of the field: Financial Economics and Econometrics (through education or professional experience).

Desirable: Optical character recognition (OCR) techniques.

Working knowledge of R and Python.

Familiarity with academic literature in Financial Economics and Econometrics.

Additional Information

Benefits

Expected remuneration

Position for 20 hs/week: Annual gross salary: 22.500,82 euros.

Positions for 15 hs/week: Annual gross salary: 16875,72 euros.

Group 2, level I

Working hours

Part-time: One position is for 20 hours/week; the other two for 15 hours/week.

Selection process

Overview of the process

19 June 2024 Job advertisement is posted in EURAXESS and in the Department of Economics and Business (Universitat Pompeu Fabra): <https://www.upf.edu/web/econ/research-project-positions> Job opportunities > Research Project Positions > Research Support Positions Position reference: ECON-PSR-INDF-2024-23.

All the announcements of the selection process for this position will be posted on this website.

4 July 2024 Application period ends.

5 July 2024 Publication of the list of admitted and excluded candidates.

Shortlisted candidates will be contacted via email to arrange the online interview; each shortlisted candidate will be given the detailed rating which will be used by the selection committee to assess their fit to the required and desired experience, qualifications and

skills/knowledge. Before or after the interview, if the committee deems it necessary, one or two referees will be contacted, with prior permission of the applicant.

15 July 2024 Publication of the selection process results. Allegations can be submitted in the following 5 working days.

23 July 2024 Selection process ends.

The candidates with the highest scores in the selection process will be offered the job. The minimum score needed to pass the selection process is 60 points.

General rating system

Experience: 60%

Qualifications: 20%

Skills/knowledge: 20%

The detailed rating which will be used by the selection committee to assess the applicant's fit to the required and desirable experience, qualifications and skills/knowledge will be sent to shortlisted candidates.

Selection Committee

President: Dmitry Kuvshinov. Committee members: Victoria Vanasco and Javier Gil-Bazo. Head of the Department of Economics and Business at UPF: Daniel Serra.

Additional comments

Documents and application

- CV in English (maximum: two pages).
- Motivation letter in English explaining the applicant's interest in and fit for the position.
- Scan copy of the highest diploma (secondary school degree, Bachelor's, master's)
- Names, positions and contact details of 1 or 2 referees (NB no referee will be contacted without the candidate's prior permission).

Submitting an application

- A zip file containing all the application documents should be sent to Ms. M. Novoa via email (mariona.novoa@upf.edu), with the subject line ECON-PSR-INDF-2024-23. Please name the zip file ECON-PSR-INDF-2024-23_Lastname_Firstname.
- The application submission deadline is 4 July 2024, 23:00pm (UTC+1). Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

Data protection

Please refer to: <https://rat.upf.edu/en/II014>

Documents for processing the contract

The following documents are necessary to process the contract:

- EU citizens: Spanish ID or foreigners' identification number (NIE) and passport; Spanish Social Security number; Spanish bank account number.
- Non-EU citizens: valid Spanish work permit; foreigners' identification number (NIE) and passport; Spanish Social Security number; Spanish bank account number.

More information

Please send any inquiries about this vacancy to: Mariona Novoa Department of Economics and Business Universitat Pompeu Fabra mariona.novoa@upf.edu

Work Location(s)

Number of offers available	3
Company/Institute	Department of Economics and Business
Country	Spain
State/Province	Catalonia
City	Barcelona
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