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Job Title	Junior/Assistant Specialist - Center for Effective Global Action
Department	
Institution	University of California Berkeley Berkeley, California
Date Posted	Oct. 4, 2024
Application Deadline	10/03/2024
Position Start Date	Available immediately
Job Categories	Research Scientist/Associate
Academic Field(s)	Public Policy & Administration Political Science - General Economics - General
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Job Description

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Position overview **Position title:** Development Economics Predoctoral Fellow

Salary range: The UC Academic salary scales set the minimum pay determined by rank and step at appointment. See the following table(s) for the current salary scale(s) for this position:

https://www.ucop.edu/academic-personnel-programs/_files/2024-25/july-2024-scales/t24-b.pdf. A

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reasonable estimate for this position is \$64,100 - \$75,700.

Percent time: 100%

Anticipated start: Start date is flexible between Fall 2024 through Spring 2025

Position duration: Initial appointments are for one year, with the possibility of renewal

Application Window

Open date: August 19, 2024

Most recent review date: Tuesday, Sep 17, 2024 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Applications received after this date will be reviewed by the search committee if the position has not yet been filled.

Final date: Thursday, Oct 3, 2024 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Applications will continue to be accepted until this date, but those received after the review date will only be considered if the position has not yet been filled.

Position description

The Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA) is a hub for research, training, and innovation headquartered at the University of California, Berkeley. CEGA generates insights that leaders can use to improve policies, programs, and people's lives. Our academic network includes more than 170 faculty, 65 scholars from low- and middle-income countries, and hundreds of graduate students-from across academic disciplines and across the globe-that produce rigorous evidence about what works to expand education, health, and economic opportunities for people living in poverty. Our mission is to improve the lives of people living in poverty by generating insights and tools for decision-makers backed by rigorous, inclusive, and transparent.

These Junior/Assistant Specialists positions are great opportunities for graduating bachelor's or master's degree students interested in pursuing a PhD in economics or related fields. In addition to working closely with faculty, candidates will have opportunities to participate in UC Berkeley's vibrant academic life through attending seminars, attending lectures and interacting with students, and other CEGA Junior/Assistant Specialists.

Several faculty affiliated with CEGA seek outstanding Junior/Assistant Specialists to support empirical analysis and administration for rigorous impact evaluations spanning diverse topics and geographies

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(see CEGA's research page for examples). CEGA currently has 4-5 Junior/Assistant specialist positions available at this time. Junior/Assistant Specialists work directly with one or more faculty on various studies, in support of a larger CEGA research agenda. They typically perform data cleaning, data analysis and background research such as in depth literature reviews and evidence synthesis for technical and non-technical audiences. Junior/Assistant Specialists also support research partnership development by cultivating strong relationships with organizations providing research support and data collection services, and may have the opportunity to travel to field sites. Other key responsibilities include: providing research assistance to research projects and papers using empirical approaches; contributing to technical grant proposals, progress reports for current funding sources; and other administrative tasks related to the projects, CEGA, and the Principal Investigator(s) (PI). Junior/Assistant Specialistse may also support additional research and policy efforts relevant to the goals of the PIs and CEGA.

Department: <https://cega.berkeley.edu/>

Qualifications

Basic qualifications (required at time of application)

- Bachelor's Degree or equivalent international degree or enrolled in a Bachelor's Degree or equivalent international degree program.

Additional qualifications (required at time of start)

- Bachelor's degree (or equivalent international degree)

Preferred qualifications

- Bachelor's Degree or equivalent international degree in Economics, Public Policy, Political Science, Business, or related discipline.
- Strong interest in development economics, causal inference in applied microeconometrics, research design, program evaluation, and/or big data/remote sensing.
- 1-2 years experience conducting empirical research including contributing to data collection and cleaning activities.
- 1-2 years experience and competency with statistical software packages such as STATA, R, Python, Julia, and/or Matlab and ability to render accurate statistical analysis; as well as proficiency with LaTeX.

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- Familiarity with standard social science data sources, internet tools, and HTML. -Ability to read and analyze published papers in economics, and accurately understand their main results.
- Ability to independently investigate solutions to technical and administrative problems.
- Outstanding written and oral communication skills, with the ability to translate complex scientific findings into accessible, non-technical language (via publications or professional presentations).
- Experience living and/or working in LMICs.
- Ability to work well with multi-national teams, and communicate effectively with colleagues and faculty.
- Additional language besides English (in particular, French, Hindi, Portuguese or Spanish).

Application Requirements

Document requirements

- Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.
- Cover Letter
- Statement of Research (Optional)
- Statement on Contributions to Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging - Statement on your contributions to diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging in research, teaching, and service, including information about your record of activities to date, and plans for contributing if hired at UC Berkeley. [More Information and guidelines.](#)

Reference requirements

- 3-5 required (contact information only)

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applicable).

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Job location

Berkeley, CA

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