Position: Research Assistant for Professor Kirabo Jackson

Anticipated Start Date: Winter 2026

Position Description:

I seek a motivated undergraduate with a background in economics, data science, or statistics to help with research projects in the area of the economics of education. The projects include one research project looking at the relationship between the structure of teacher pay and who enters the profession, and another project that will examine the effect of principal quality on the ability to manage schools during COVID. These projects use individual-level micro-datasets and also large-scale publicly available datasets. The student should have excellent organizational skills and be able to work in a self-directed way. The job will involve drafting data requests, making phone calls, helping write research proposals, data collection, data cleaning, and data analysis. The data work will be largely in Stata.

The time commitment of this position is 7-10 hours/week beginning in winter quarter. Interested students should send a copy of their CV to kirabo-jackson@northwestern.edu.