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EconLab Opportunity for 2024-25: Kellogg Global Poverty Research Lab RAs

Are you interested in research and policy-making in international development?

Would you like to play a part in policy-making becoming more evidence-informed?

Would you like to develop your skills to critically engage with academic papers at the frontier of quantitative research?

The Global Poverty Research Lab (GPRL) at Northwestern University is looking for undergraduates with a good grasp of and interest in quantitative social science research. We are in the process of creating a comprehensive library of research findings in international development to facilitate evidence-informed policy-making.

What is in it for you:

- Get paid to engage with frontier research on key policy issues (i.e., trainings, cash transfers, microcredit for small businesses)
- Receive extensive training in how to read and codify quantitative social science research
- Receive extensive, on-demand, and personalized supervision to help you improve your skills
- Develop practical academic literacy skills complementary to more theoretical academic coursework
- Help shape the research tools we use through critical feedback
- Flexibly decide to work from home or interact with us and other early career researchers in the GPRL offices in Evanston
- Contribute to an exciting and likely impactful public good

What you need:

- Available 10 to 20 hours per week (exceptions for exam season not a problem)
- Genuine curiosity to understand quantitative social science research
- Trained in inferential statistics or econometrics and able to read result tables in quantitative social science studies

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How to apply:

Reach out to Andre Nickow (<u>a-nickow@kellogg.northwestern.edu</u>) with your CV, unofficial transcript, and five sentences of your experience with and interest in academic work in international development. Applications are being considered on a rolling basis.