

**Date of publication of the job offer**

**Job title: Research assistant (data management)**

**Job description**

A Research Assistant at postgraduate (master / doctoral) level is sought for assisting the IP (principal research) in the preparation and analysis of data resulting from an online survey with a conjoint experiment that has been recently conducted (May/June 2020) among last-year undergraduate students of Universitat Pompeu Fabra. The conjoint experiment inserted in the survey consisted in asking the survey participants to choose among a series of pairs of hypothetical master programs with different levels in a number of parameters or dimensions: fees, distance from home, prestige of the institution offering the MA programme, estimated salary five years after graduation...

The main goals of the survey are, first, the study of student's expectation of postgraduate education according to socioeconomic background; second, the study of the importance attached by students to different parameters of master programmes depending on their socioeconomic background.

The research assistant is expected to work part-time (15-20 hours a week) along 2 months with the aim of completing the following tasks:

- 1) Assistance in the handling of data derived from the conjoint experiment inserted in the survey.
- 2) Assistance in the creation of an index of socioeconomic origin with relevant information available in the survey: parental education and occupation, financial situation of the parental home...
- 3) Creation of weights for adjusting the representativeness of the pool of participants to the population of last-year undergraduate students in the academic year 2019-2020.

**Project and Institution that finance the contract**

"Revising the equality of educational opportunities by social origin: access to undergraduate and postgraduate studies, and distribution by field of studies", funded by Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness

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**Information on the minimum requirements**

Candidates must hold in Degree in Social Sciences (preferably Economics, Psychology, Demography or Sociology). They must have a solid statistical background, good familiarity with Stata and knowledge about weighting procedures. Previous experience in the design of conjoint experiments, or in handling or analysing data derived from this type of experiments, would be particularly valued.

### **Benefits of the opening**

The position offers 15-20 hours per week per 2 months (September / October 2020) with a monthly gross salary of 1500€.

### **Information on the application process**

**Deadline to submit applications:** August 8th 2020

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