



Employer Name: Pew Research Center

Position Title: Research Assistant

Location: Washington, District of Columbia, United States

Industry: Research

Job Description:

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Organization Overview

Pew Research Center is a nonpartisan fact tank that informs the public about the issues, attitudes and trends shaping America and the world. It conducts public opinion polling, demographic research, media content analysis and other empirical social science research in the areas of U.S. politics and policy views; media and journalism; internet and technology; religion and public life; Hispanic trends; global attitudes and U.S. social and demographic trends. Pew Research does not take policy positions. It is a subsidiary of The Pew Charitable Trusts. Pew Research Center's work is carried out by a staff of 130.

Position Summary

The primary responsibilities will be fact-checking and proof-reading, creating charts, tables, and slides, organizing relevant polling data, and performing research and analysis as required. Of foremost importance is ensuring that data analysis and reporting meet the highest standards of accuracy and impartiality. Ideal candidates will have a Bachelor's degree in the social or computational sciences and a demonstrated interest in one of our research areas.

Knowledge & Skills Requirements

Interest in attitudinal, behavioral or demographic research related to social, economic and political change

A "numbers person" with quantitative and statistical skills

Strong verbal and written communications skills

Proven facility with MS Word, Excel and PowerPoint

Knowledge of how to display data in easy-to-understand ways in tables and charts in both Excel and Word

Detail oriented and ability to maintain accuracy and impartiality in all work products

Ability to work well in a team setting

Demonstrated ability to work accurately on deadline

Ability to balance and prioritize multiple tasks

Ability to synthesize materials for senior staff

Experience with, or interest in, technical Internet programming (i.e., Python), a plus

Education/Training/Experience

B.A. degree is required, with concentration in a field related to one of our research areas

Strong quantitative skills, background in data management and analysis preferred

Experience with statistical software, such as SPSS and Stata preferred

Primary Responsibilities

Number checking, fact checking, proofing

Creating tables and charts in MS Word, Excel and PowerPoint

Building and checking topline

Performing background research on issues and policies

Data cleaning, maintaining and reviewing internal files and databases

Assisting with basic statistical analysis and research

Assisting with questionnaire development, quality control

Duration: Permanent

Job Function: Data & Analytics, Research, Writing / Editing

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Allowed School Years: Senior

Allowed Majors: All majors allowed

Work Authorization Requirements: US work authorization is required