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Research Associate
The Wharton School

Professors Frank Zhou and Christina Zhu are seeking to hire one full-time Research Associate for a period of at least one year, ideally two years. Research Associates work with faculty to collect and process data, conduct statistical analyses, and provide other support associated with faculty research. The position will entail support of research from conception through publication. The position provides an opportunity to gain experience in academic business research, with a special focus on accounting, banking, corporate disclosure, investments, capital markets, debt contracts, analyst forecasts, and insider trading.

The ideal candidate will have:

- a Bachelor's degree or higher in a field relevant to the research being conducted by the start date (concentration in Economics, CS, Math, or Statistics preferred)
- a minimum of one year of relevant research experience (experience gained in school counts)
- strong programming experience with SAS and/or another statistical package such as Stata, R, or Python
- organizational ability and communication skills
- an enthusiasm for research

Background in economics, finance, or accounting is a plus, but not necessary—candidates with strong technical backgrounds who are looking for more exposure to academic business research or have a strong interest in applying for PhD programs are welcome to apply.

The preferred start date is August 1, 2021, though other dates may be considered. Applications will be evaluated on a rolling basis, but all applications submitted by March 31, 2021 will be given full consideration.

If interested, please fill out a brief survey at https://forms.gle/opfesVmoQfo3oWN8A. Please submit all supporting materials (resume, cover letter, unofficial postsecondary transcripts) in the Resume/CV field. You may upload multiple files.

Research Associates build invaluable and collaborative relationships with Wharton faculty and students by engaging in Wharton’s rigorous intellectual environment. While at Wharton, Research Associates can develop their research skillset and engage in several programs that prepare them for their future research careers.

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