



Person Specification

This form lists the essential and desirable requirements needed in order to do the job.

Applicants will be shortlisted **solely** on the extent to which they meet these requirements.

Job title: Research Assistant, International Trade

Department: Centre for Economic Performance

Accountable to: Dr Swati Dhingra

Competency	Criteria	E/D
Knowledge and Experience	A first or upper second class undergraduate degree in Economics or other quantitative social science discipline	E
	A Masters in Economics or other quantitative social science discipline passed at level allowing acceptance on PhD	E
	Advanced experience of using STATA and other econometrics software.	E
	An understanding ideally from work experience of negotiating information from public organisations, and of dealing with data confidentiality issues	D
	Knowledge of and interest in labour economics and/or international economics	E
	Advanced analytical skills in dealing with quantitative and administrative data.	E
Investigation, analysis and research	Experience of data work requiring great accuracy and attention to detail	E
	Ability to identify appropriate methods of economic investigation , to interpret and analyse patterns or trends in data and to think through economic problems analytically	E
	Ability to perform literature reviews	E
	Experience of data extraction from government agencies	D
	Substantial work experience in the economics and empirical analysis of topics related to international economics and/or labour economics more broadly	D



	Ability to author/co-author papers of refereed journal article quality	D
	Data analysis. This includes preparation of charts/graphs/tables/maps and the use of econometric analysis for the development and testing of models and evaluations and for the preparation of papers	D
Decision Making	Ability to work independently, without close supervision	D
	Experience of dealing with outside public organisations to request assistance; understanding compliance issues	D
	Experience of organising and supervising other project staff	D
Communication	Excellent written and verbal communication skills and ability to convey technical material in non-technical terms for policy and other non-academic stakeholders	D
Team work and Motivation	Experience of providing economic research assistance on joint long term research projects	D
	Collation, presentation of other team members' work and integration of this into own work as required	D

E – Essential: requirements without which the job could not be done.

D – Desirable: requirements that would enable the candidate to perform the job well.