



## Job Description

This form summarises the purpose of the job and lists its key tasks. It is not a definitive list of all the tasks to be undertaken as those can be varied from time to time at the discretion of the School, in consultation with the postholder.

**Job title:** Research Assistant, STICERD Public Economics Programme

**Centre:** STICERD

**Accountable to:** Professor C Landais, Professor J Spinnewijn, Dr X Jaravel and Dr K Smith

### Job Summary

The successful applicants will be based at the London School of Economics (LSE) and will join a group of LSE researchers under the direction of Camille Landais, Johannes Spinnewijn, Xavier Jaravel and Kate Smith. The job will entail close collaboration on several new and ongoing projects on a broad range of topics in applied microeconomics with applications to economic policy. Much of the research uses “big data” and quasi-experimental methods to identify causal effects and test the predictions of economic and sociological models. Current projects study for instance the impact of labor market shocks on individuals’ behaviors, the determinants of gender inequality, the price effects of trade and innovation, or the optimal design of social insurance programmes. Interested applicants can consult the faculty members’ websites to learn more about ongoing projects.

The job will include a variety of tasks that provide excellent preparation for graduate school, such as analysing data, writing and creating presentations, and editing research papers.

### Duties and Responsibilities

- Identifying appropriate methods of investigation or analysis according to data and objectives.
- Conveying complex conceptual ideas or complex information which may be highly detailed, technical or specialist.
- Interpreting and analysing patterns or trends in data.
- Managing large scale databases.
- Conducting literature reviews.
- Assisting in the writing of reports.
- Contributing to the organisation of conferences, seminars and workshops.
- Supporting team members to reach common goals.
- Managing own research and administrative activities, with guidance.
- Demonstrating a knowledge of theory, methods and practice and demonstrating development through acquisition of relevant skills and competencies.

### Note

The LSE has a progressive pay structure that rewards you with annual pay increases up to a certain level as you develop in your role. We also provide for further reward past this point in the form of further pay increases based on exceptional performance.

**Flexibility**

To deliver services effectively, a degree of flexibility is needed, and the post holder may be required to perform work not specifically referred to above.

**Equality and Diversity**

LSE believes that equality for all is a basic human right. We actively encourage diversity and inclusion, while opposing all forms of unlawful and unfair discrimination on the grounds of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

**Environmental Sustainability**

The post holder is required to minimise environmental impact in the performance of the role, and actively contribute to the delivery of the LSE Environmental Policy.