

## **Description of Job Responsibilities: Full-Time Research Assistant**

This full-time research assistant position, working with Economics professor Jinkook Lee (at the University of Southern California) and her collaborators and starting summer/fall 2018, is ideal for individuals interested in economics/interdisciplinary research and likely to pursue a PhD. Current projects include research on various topics under the umbrella of economics of aging, risk factors of late-life cognition and dementia, and conducting large-scale, multidisciplinary population surveys in community, as well as hospital-based in-depth studies. For further details of the current projects, see <https://g2aging.org/prog2aging.php>.

Research assistants are directly involved in the entire research process, including:

- Data analysis (Stata knowledge required)
- Survey design (including writing survey questions and pilot testing them)
- Background research and literature reviews for academic papers
- Data compiling and presentation (including designing figures for papers, paper editing, and the potential for small writing assignments, such as blog posts or data reports)
- Various administrative tasks central to the research process (including IRB applications, coordination of team activities, etc.)

### **Required background:**

- Knowledge of Stata, Excel
- Strong organizational and self-disciplinary skills
- A background in economics or epidemiology (undergraduate degree or at least 3 years of relevant experience)
- Leadership skills
- An interest in interdisciplinary research
- Strong writing skills

**Salary:** \$52,800 (plus benefits)

**To apply:** Please email the following, as a single pdf document, to Sandy Chien ([chiayisc@usc.edu](mailto:chiayisc@usc.edu)): (1) A cover letter describing your interest in and qualifications for the position, (2) your resume, (3) an unofficial transcript, and (4) a paper you've written for a course, a research paper, or other writing sample. Later in the process, we may ask you for up to three references. There is no set deadline for applications. The position will remain open until it is filled.