THE TOBIN PROJECT

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RESEARCH ANALYST OPPORTUNITY

The Position

The Tobin Project seeks an exceptional individual to join our collaborative and entrepreneurial team as a Research Analyst focusing on our Inequality and Decision Making Initiative. The Research Analyst will work with leading behavioral social scientists and Tobin Project leadership to conceptualize, generate, and strengthen new research on the effects of economic inequality on individual behavior and decision making. Research Analysts receive a competitive non-profit salary and generous benefit package and work as part of Tobin's small, mission-driven staff from an office in the heart of Harvard Square.

"It seems easy to measure Tobin by the ideas generated, or policy impact, or written product. But that misses something. Tobin is a force in academia."

—Archon Fung, Acting Dean and Ford Foundation Professor of Democracy and Citizenship at the Harvard Kennedy School

Qualifications

Our ideal candidate is a talented college graduate with a background in or familiarity with behavioral social science, excellent writing skills, and independent research and project management experience. We are seeking an intellectually ambitious and curious individual with a passion for understanding how social phenomena shape human behavior.

Responsibilities

While roles often evolve and expand, Research Analyst responsibilities typically include:

- Managing long-term research inquiries, from conception to publication
- Conducting research to facilitate ongoing projects and ground new inquiries
- Communicating with top scholars to develop potential directions for new projects, provide strategic research support, and plan academic meetings and conferences
- Evaluating current scholarship to gain expertise within a substantive area
- Contributing to a creative and dynamic work environment

How to Apply

The Tobin Project is accepting applications on a rolling basis through January 11, 2016. To apply, please email the following materials to opportunities@tobinproject.org:

- A cover letter discussing your interest and qualifications
- A 1-2 page resume
- All academic transcripts (unofficial versions are acceptable)
- A writing sample

Please note that writing samples constitute a large part of the decision making process. Please submit a complete piece of written work (not an excerpt) that marshals evidence in support of an argument. There is no page limit and no need to tailor the topic of discussion to Tobin's research inquiries. Writing samples will be evaluated for clarity of reasoning and style.

The Tobin Project is a non-profit, non-partisan research organization seeking to catalyze innovative scholarship on major, real world problems, from rising economic inequality to threats to national security. Inspired by Professor James Tobin's belief that scholars have a vital role to play in the public sphere, the Project works with a network of several hundred scholars, from Nobel Laureates to top graduate students, along with policymakers at the highest levels of government, to generate pioneering research on some of the most pressing problems facing America and the world today.

For more information about our mission, team, research, and application process, please visit: www.tobinproject.org.