I’m a PhD candidate in public policy and I’m looking to hire two to four undergraduates to help conduct a survey after the end of the semester. I was told to get in touch with you by my adviser but please let me know if there’s someone else I should reach out to!

The project is analyzing the impact of a savings program in public housing in partnership with the Cambridge Housing Authority. We are running a baseline survey here in Cambridge to better understand the financial lives of their residents. The undergraduate research assistants will receive training on survey taking and will then go door to door collecting surveys. The survey is online and the research assistants will be provided with tablets, so they will not be asking the questions themselves, but asking the residents to complete it on the tablets; with the intention of recruiting residents who don’t have access to computers.

The pay is $15/hour and the hours are flexible. Depending on the number of research assistants and how much they can work they can do per day, we expect this to take 1-3 weeks starting May 15th. We’re happy to work around complicated schedules. The students will learn about the basics of doing field research and might be of particular interest to those who want to learn more about public housing in the US.

For interested students, please send me a CV and a short (one paragraph) statement about why you’re interested by April 30th. Please let me know if you have any questions — happy to chat in person with anyone who wants to know more!

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