About The Office of Research (OR):

The Office of Research (OR) in the Research, Markets, and Regulations Division (RMR) is realizing the CFPB’s mission by bringing an empirical, data-driven approach to the analysis of consumer financial markets. OR provides the main analytics to understand consumer behavior and support the Bureau’s actions in policy-making, supervision, and enforcement.

OR Research Assistant Program

The OR Research Assistant Program is a fellowship program that was developed for graduating undergraduates (recent December 2017 and May/June 2018 graduates may apply) who are interested in spending 2-3 years in the Office of Research working alongside Ph.D. researchers (which include economists, research psychologists, and research scientists) on substantial and rigorous data oriented policy projects. Ideally, the candidates’ time with our office would prepare them for future graduate programs such as Ph.D. programs in economics and finance, Masters of Public Policy, and other graduate fields. Successful candidates will have a proven track record of academic excellence in one or more of the following areas: economics, mathematics, statistics, or computer science. Experience in R, SAS, or Stata programming is also key. Strong written and verbal communication skills are a must, as is the demonstrated ability to work in a fast-paced multidisciplinary environment.

How to apply to the OR Research Assistant Program:

Visit our website: http://www.consumerfinance.gov/jobs/location/

- October 30, 2017– November 17, 2017 (apply early, since we may have an application cap)

Components of the application include (check job posting for official requirements):
- Resume (required)
- School transcripts showing progress toward degree (required – unofficial okay – we can take recent graduates as well as those expecting to graduate in December 2017 or May/June 2018)
- Short questionnaire (required – administered on the application website)
- Cover letter (strongly recommended)

Summer Internship Program

The Pathways Internship Program is a Summer 2018 internship for current (students are eligible if they are enrolled as students before, during, and after Summer 2018) undergraduate and graduate students. Interns work directly with a seasoned member of our team on policy and research projects and are assigned to one project which they are expected to complete during the twelve-week program. Interns will be expected to work independently but will be provided necessary on-the-job training and mentorship to support them in their work. Strong Intern candidates may be considered for possible future Research Assistant opportunities within the Office of Research.
How to apply to the Pathways Internship:


- **October 27, 2017**: general posting for all CFPB divisions, specify the Office of Research (Research Markets and Regulations, Office of Research) in the application

Components of the application include:
- Resume (required)
- School transcripts program showing **current enrollment** (required – unofficial okay)
- Proof of enrollment (required for graduate students who may not actively be taking classes)
- Short questionnaire (required – administered on the application website)
- Cover letter (strongly recommended)

Internships are open only to current students. Applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.
Research Assistant

About the CFPB
The CFPB’s central mission is to make markets for consumer financial products and services work while empowering consumers to take more control over their economic lives.

The Office of Research (OR) brings an empirical, data-driven approach to the analysis of consumer financial markets. OR has PhD social scientists from different disciplines (e.g., economic, behavioral and cognitive sciences) that design and conduct foundational, policy-relevant research on consumer finance and household behavior. In addition, OR conducts essential analytics to support the Bureau’s actions in policy-making, supervision, and enforcement.

Your impact
As a Research Assistant for OR, you will:

- Collect and analyze primary data from surveys and lab trials conducted by OR, work with supervisory and enforcement data, and explore de-identified credit databases.
- Conduct data analyses that directly impact our mission and help guide CFPB policies, procedures, and resources.
- Develop reliable reports and prepare economic, statistical, or financial analyses for well-defined policy questions.
- Communicate to senior leaders across the Bureau through written and oral presentations.

What we’re looking for
Successful applicants demonstrate academic excellence in one of the following areas: economics, mathematics, statistics, computer science, or behavioral and cognitive research. Previous experience in R, SAS, and/or Stata programming is also a key to success. Strong written and verbal communication skills are required, as is the demonstrated ability to work in a fast-paced and multidisciplinary environment.

Logistics and how to apply
The position is a two-year term appointment that is extendable to four years (based on availability and performance). Our formal job announcement will post in late October. To receive a direct link to the announcement or request more information, please email pathways@cfpb.gov. All applicants must apply to the formal announcement to be considered.

To learn more, please visit us at consumerfinance.gov/about-us/careers/

What you’ll get

- Work on extensive and rigorous data-oriented policy projects with leading subject-matter experts at a ground-breaking government agency.
- Get hands-on experience and exposure to critical areas of the consumer financial market.
- Gain experience in R, SAS, and Stata programming.
- Prepare for future graduate programs, including PhD programs, Masters of Public Policy, and other graduate fields.

The CFPB is an equal opportunity employer and seeks to create and maintain a vibrant and diverse workforce. Women, minorities, veterans, and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Learn more at consumerfinance.gov
CFPB Summer Internship

About the CFPB
We aim to make consumer financial markets work for consumers, responsible providers, and the economy as a whole. We protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or abusive practices and take action against companies that break the law. We arm people with the information and tools that they need to make smart financial decisions.

Your impact
Take a step into public service, impact the lives of American families, and explore what works best for you. You’ll help execute projects such as technology updates, public relations, market research, reporting & analysis, legal/enforcement—and much more. We’ll even provide the on-the-job training you need to be successful.

What we’re looking for
We need current students from various degree programs to serve as interns at our main offices in D.C. No matter your academic background, you must possess a relentless commitment to professional and organizational excellence. Strong written and verbal communication skills are a must, as well as demonstrated ability to work in a fast-paced multidisciplinary environment. Successful candidates will show the drive to be a leader in their field and on their campus, while maintaining high academic standards.

Think You Have What It Takes?
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