

**JOB DESCRIPTION:** Full time research assistant to MIT Economics Professor Amy Finkelstein.

I am looking to hire a full-time research assistant to begin in the summer of 2009. This position would entail assistance with all stages of empirical research.

Candidates should have an interest in applying to a quantitative Ph.D. program (preferably in economics) and in pursuing a research career. Applicants must have strong programming and quantitative skills. Excellent grades are required. The job is ideal for someone with an enthusiasm for empirical research, and an ability and interest in learning new skills and taking initiative as a project develops.

The empirical projects you would work on would most likely be on issues in health economics and/or the design of social insurance programs. For some examples of my research, please see <http://www.nber.org/digest/apr06/w11609.html>  
<http://www.nber.org/aginghealth/winter05/w10989.html>  
<http://www.nber.org/digest/mar04/w9957.html>  
<http://www.nber.org/digest/nov07/w12924.html>

The position is located at the National Bureau of Economic Research in Cambridge Massachusetts, where you would have an opportunity to interact with economics undergraduates, graduate students and faculty from both Harvard and MIT. Annual salary is \$44,000.

**TO APPLY:** Please email the following to me at [afink@mit.edu](mailto:afink@mit.edu) by MARCH 01 2009:

1. A cover letter that includes:

A description of your familiarity with various statistical and computer packages (e.g. STATA, SAS, Gauss, Matlab etc.)

A brief description of your experience as a research assistant and with any independent research (e.g. thesis or other research projects)

The names of two or three references (and their contact information). At least one reference must be someone whom you have worked for as a research assistant.

2. A current CV

3. A transcript (unofficial is fine).