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Fundación IDEA Open Positions

Position: Education Researcher, based in Mexico City

Start Date: June, 2009 (flexible)

About Fundación IDEA

Fundación IDEA is a recently created, non-profit, non-partisan, research center located in Mexico City. Its mission is to conduct independent research, analysis and evaluation of public policy in Mexico, and other developing countries. It seeks to generate policy recommendations to improve policies and programs that can improve equality of opportunity through economic development, education and poverty reduction. Fundación IDEA is part of CONACYT's national register of Research and Scientific Institutions in Mexico. For more information about the organization, as well as staff, current and past projects, please go to www.fundacionidea.org.mx

Job Description

The Education Researcher works in projects related to education and education policy. She or he possesses superior analytic and intellectual abilities that can be applied to education topics in Mexico and elsewhere. The Education Researcher will work under supervision and close collaboration with the Director of Education.

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Leading or co-leading research and consulting projects
- Writing reports and preparing presentations
- Writing papers and other documents intended for publication in journals or presentation in academic conferences
- Presenting before clients or donor agencies
- Data base management, data analysis, statistical analysis (including of longitudinal data)
- Drafting and conducting literature reviews
- Preparation and conducting of interviews and or surveys for qualitative studies
- Engaging in field work for qualitative studies



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Desired Qualifications

- PhD or Masters in Education, Economics or Public Policy, with an emphasis on education. Graduates of other programs (Political Science, Sociology, International Development) will also be considered, as long as main research focus is on Education.
- High analytical and writing skills, both in Spanish and English
- Fluency in English and Spanish
- Advanced knowledge of at least one statistical software package (Stata, SAS, R, SPSS, etc.) is required. Knowledge of qualitative software (NVivo) is desired, but not required.
- Interest in applied public policy research and education topics
- Excellent time management and ability to work independently
- Ability to lead projects and supervise/mentor junior research assistants
- Flexibility to work in a new, dynamic environment
- Availability for travel (national and international)

Salary: Competitive, based on experience and qualifications.

Interested candidates should send a 1-page cover letter and resume to lsantibanez@fundacionidea.org.mx