Every Wednesday 11am - 1pm there is free coffee, tea and snacks in the Undergraduate Econ Lounge (Uris 477).

If you ever have any questions, feel free to reach out by email (mhm36@cornell.edu) or come by my office (Uris 492).

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**Important Dates**

- **Oct 21st, 3:30pm** How to find an internship in Government and Policy
- **Oct 23rd, 4:30pm** Claudia Goldin Lecture, Lewis Auditorium, GSH
- **Oct 24th, 4:30pm** Rob Engle Lecture, Ives 305
- **Oct 27th**, EXTERN Applications Due
- **Oct 28th, 3:30pm** How to find a business/management internship (Register w/CCNet)
  - 5:00pm Informational Interviewing 101, HEC Auditorium, GSH
- **Oct 31st**, Halloween - come get chocolate in the lounge!
- **Nov 3rd, 4:30pm** Honors Program Info Session (see below)

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**New York Times/Wall Street Journal**

Read the paper in the lounge

As of last week, we are receiving daily deliveries of the NYT & WSJ in the Undergraduate Lounge (Uris 477). Stop by and read up on the world. If you’re lucky, you’ll even get the crossword.

Also: Free coffee & snacks every Wed 11am - 1pm

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**Want to graduate with Honors?**

Join the Honors Program!
In Economics, in order to graduate with honors (summa cum laude, magna cum laude or cum laude), you must be a part of the Economics Honors Program and write an honors thesis. Learn more here

There will be an informational meeting at 4:30pm on Nov. 3rd with Professor Besharov - location TBD

As usual, see below for Economics-related opportunities . . .

Economics Opportunities

Research Assistant Position- Yale
Seeking a Full-Time Research Assistant Starting July 2015

Ian Ayres, William K. Townsend Professor at Yale Law School, is seeking an empirical research assistant to assist with law and economics research projects. Day-to-day work will include brainstorming, undertaking literature reviews, retrieving and collecting data (often with other researchers), constructing datasets, performing econometric analysis in Stata, generating tables and graphs, and proofreading and drafting. Work also may include implementing field experiments and conducting surveys.

Previous RAs have gone on to attend law school at Yale and Harvard, enroll in PhD programs, and win prestigious fellowships.

Professor Ayres’s recent research articles include innovation policy, behavioral economics, corporate finance and law, civil rights, and contract law. His website includes a less formal outline of recent projects.

Desired Qualifications:
- BA or MA in Economics/Statistics or equivalent experience.
- Strong econometrics background and experience programming in Stata. Python programming experience a plus.

Timeline: The position begins in July 2015 and lasts a year.
To Apply: Please send a resume, cover letter, and unofficial transcript, together as one .pdf document, to anthony.cozart@yale.edu with the subject line "Ayres RA: [Last Name]". Applications will be considered on a rolling basis. Please do not hesitate to contact Anthony, at the email address above, with questions about the position.
ALFRED P. SLOAN FOUNDATION

Unique Job Opportunity: Program Associate, Economics.

The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation funds breakthrough research in economics, science, and technology. The Foundation's challenge is to find, develop, promote, and evaluate great research proposals. Working as a Program Associate in Economics therefore provides a unique opportunity to help understand and advance cutting-edge research in economics. This involves interacting with top academics and attending conferences, as well as studying economic research plans and results.

The Foundation is seeking a recent graduate, preferably in economics, statistics, or mathematics, who is very talented, highly motivated, and well-organized for the Program Associate position starting in mid-2015, as early as May.

Roles and Responsibilities:
The Program Associate reports to the Program Director and supports all aspects of his/her programs in economics, finance, mathematics, and higher education. In addition, the Program Associate serves as research assistant in economics to both the Program Director and the President of the Foundation. The Program Associate supports the Program Director in managing proposals, grants, and program development. Daily tasks include interacting with grantees and proposers, evaluating proposals, finding reviewers and soliciting reviews, performing research and analysis, writing memos and reports, and attending meetings or academic conferences. The Program Associate is also expected to keep current with the state of research in each program area. This is a two-year appointment with the possibility of an extension into a third year, and with opportunities for first-class training along with exposure and access to prominent researchers and new ideas in economics, science, and technology. To learn more about the Foundation's current strategic priorities in economics, see www.sloan.org.

Organization:
Founded in 1934 and located in Manhattan's Rockefeller Center, the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation is a philanthropic organization that makes grants for research and outreach in science, technology, and economics to improve the quality of life in the United States. The Foundation is strictly non-ideological and non-partisan. It is an equal opportunity employer and seeks a broad and diverse pool of candidates for every position.

Qualifications:
The Program Associate requires a high level of professionalism, maturity, initiative, and good judgment. The successful candidate must have excellent organizational, analytical, problem-solving, interpersonal, and written communication skills. The Program Associate should be proficient with econometrics, statistics, economic theory, multivariate calculus, and linear algebra. Technical skills must include knowledge of experimental design, data science, empirical methods, and a statistical package such as MATLAB, R, or STATA. Facility with LaTeX is a plus. The position requires a master's degree, or a bachelor's degree plus some graduate-level courses, as well as some work experience, preferably in a research setting. Although degrees in economics, statistics, or mathematics are preferred, the Foundation will also consider applicants having degrees in science, finance, or public policy who have completed concentrations or minors in economics and have two or more years of work experience in a relevant field.

Compensation:
This is an exempt position. The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation offers competitive compensation and benefits.
For consideration, please submit an Application form (available at www.sloan.org under Employment Opportunities); cover letter; and resume to HR@sloan.org. Candidates attending the 2015 ASSA meetings and wanting to be considered for an interview in Boston during that time must submit these materials no later than November 30, 2014.

Invitation - European Students Conference 2015 at Yale

We would like to extend the opportunity to undergraduate and graduate students of Cornell to participate in a unique initiative that is being developed by students at Yale University. With funding from the European Commission, students of Yale University are organizing a conference that will develop visions for the future of the European Union and the relationship with the United States. The “European Student Conference” in February 2015 will host some of the most innovative European policy-makers and distinguished professors to discuss students’ ideas for the European Union. The conference is the basis for a student think-tank that will be a contact point and support mechanism for students in the United States, enabling them to transform their motivation into concrete action for the benefit of the European Union.

We are confident that students from Cornell can greatly contribute to this initiative, and we would be honored to have your students participate at the European Student Conference 2015. Please distribute this email with any group on campus, any students you know and faculty that you feel would be interested in the conference. Please note that first-round application deadline is October 27.

For more information, and to apply to participate, please visit http://escatyale.com/

We look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you,
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Public Policy Institute of California

This position provides research assistance to individual fellows or to research groups working primarily on corrections policy issues. Responsibilities include (but are not necessarily limited to) performing quantitative and qualitative analysis, organizing and maintaining databases, conducting literature searches, abstracting documents, and presenting research results. This position is located in PPIC’s San Francisco office.

Responsibilities

- Analyze and code quantitative data.
- Conduct statistical analyses of data. Includes organizing and maintaining databases and preparing analyses, charts, tables, graphs, and maps.
- Conduct qualitative analysis of data.
- Perform literature searches, prepare and annotate bibliographies and abstract data source materials.
- Contact government agencies and other organizations to request data and other program information.

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• Provide editorial support for manuscripts.
• Present research results. May include preparing written reports as well as presenting results in seminars and other forums.
• Exercise initiative in providing research assistance.
• Perform administrative tasks as required.

Qualifications

• Bachelors or Master's degree in economics, health, political science, public policy, sociology or a related field, or equivalent experience.
• Solid computer skills:
  ○ Knowledge of STATA, SAS or another statistical package is required.
  ○ Knowledge of GIS software is desirable.
• Experience in quantitative and qualitative analysis, along with proven analytical ability, will be important assets.
• Excellent written and verbal communications skills and attention to detail will be important factors for success.
• Demonstrated interest in applied policy research and corrections issues is required; experience or interest in other policy areas is a plus.

PPIC values the wide variety of backgrounds and experiences of our research staff, and key elements in the consideration of qualified candidates include excellence; diversity of talents, backgrounds, and viewpoints; and a strong fit with the institute's mission, values, and goals.

To Apply

Applications will be considered as they are received, and the position will remain open until filled. Please tailor your cover letter to highlight how your credentials meet the qualifications listed above. Submit your cover letter as a text document in the field provided, and include your resume as an attachment to the application.

As an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action employer, PPIC is committed to excellence through diversity. We encourage women and members of minority groups to apply.

Wharton School PhD program in Applied Economics

Our objective is to attract motivated students ready to start doing research in cooperation with our diverse faculty. Candidates with strong foundational training in economics and who have shown proficiency for and interest in academic research are given the highest priority in our admissions process.

Wharton's PhD program in Applied Economics focuses on giving students the skills to conduct frontier research. The curriculum combines courses offered in the Applied Economics and other graduate programs at The Wharton School, as well as courses offered by the Penn Economics Department. With a 1:1 faculty to student ratio, students quickly become immersed in the research process as they interact and work with the faculty. With only one year of required teaching and research assistantship duties, students have ample time to focus on their thesis and become a compelling candidate for the job market.

Drawing from more than 30 applied microeconomists in the departments of Business Economics & Public Policy and Real Estate and other Wharton departments, the Applied Economics program allows specialization in many areas including Behavioral Economics, Development Economics, Energy and Environmental Economics, Industrial Organization, Market Design, Public Economics, Risk Management, and Urban Economics and Real Estate. Recent students have also pursued interdisciplinary research topics by drawing on faculty in the departments of Finance, Health Care Management, Management, and Marketing as well as other Wharton departments.

Students are well-placed in leading economics departments, business schools, and public policy
programs as well as government, business, and consulting. In the past two years, students have been placed at the business schools of Duke (Fuqua), Indiana (Kelley), Michigan (Ross), and Wisconsin.

Incoming students are guaranteed funding for five years with very light teaching duties. Our Fellowship offers full tuition and fees along with a projected stipend of $28,500 for 2015-16.

Applications are due by December 15, 2014. Additional information on our program is available at: http://www.wharton.upenn.edu/doctoral/programs/applied-economics.cfm

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Joseph E. Harrington, Jr.
PhD Program Coordinator

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Two Sigma Recruitment

Allow me to introduce myself, my name is Talia and I am part of the Campus Recruitment team at Two Sigma. Two Sigma will be very active on Campus this Fall, through attending career fairs/info sessions and hosting coffee talks/ lunches.

For your reference, Two Sigma is a technology company that applies a rigorous, scientific method-based approach to investment management. We are very excited to be hosting an info session at Cornell on Tuesday, October 28th from 6-7:30 PM at The Statler Hotel (Amphitheater).

I was therefore hoping you could send out this invitation link to your students so they can register for our info session: http://www.cvent.com/d/n4qbbb. Please feel free to cc me on the email to the students.

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Caesar's Entertainment Analyst

Caesars Entertainment is America's largest Casino Entertainment Company with over 55+ locations, 44,000 hotel rooms and generates over $8 Billion in Revenue a year. Caesars' Enterprise Analytics has been recruiting top talent from Cornell consistently, and we would like you to share CEC's recruitment efforts. Please find attached general information on our Analytics opportunities for the eight teams that Caesars is recruiting for, and help us spread the word that we are looking for top talent!

Please let people know they can apply online at the following link: https://cornell-students.experience.com/experience/login

The deadline to apply is this 10/18.

Feel free to reach out with any questions you have.

Regards,

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR Research Assistant/Programmer

Mathematica Policy Research, Inc. (Mathematica) is a nationally recognized firm that conducts domestic social policy research health care, welfare, education, disability, labor and other related topics. We are seeking Research Assistant/Programmers to work in our office locations Princeton, NJ; Washington, DC; Cambridge, MA; Ann Arbor, MI; Oakland, CA and Chicago, IL. Mathematica offers a competitive salary commensurate with your qualifications and a comprehensive benefits package that includes 3 weeks paid time off and tuition reimbursement.

Research Assistant/Programmers perform tasks in the following areas:

Research

- Prepare tables and graphs based on data analyses.
- Compile, track, and analyze data and prepare reports.
- Assist with writing reports and memos.
- Conduct site visits.
- Perform literature searches, review, and abstract articles.
- Conduct interviews with organizations and study participants.
- Assist with any other project activities as needed.

Programming

- Write programs in SAS or Stata to extract, clean, and format data and to create variables for use in analyses.
- Perform statistical analyses of data.
- Construct datasets and prepare data files from survey instruments.
- Produce descriptive statistics and tables.

Project Management

- Track financial progress of projects using Excel. Prepare monthly assessment reports.
- Assist with budgeting and contract proposals.

Qualifications:

- A bachelor's degree with an excellent academic record, including courses in economics/social science, mathematics/statistics, or computer science.
- Academic or work experience performing data analysis using a statistical computer package.
- Strong organizational skills and the ability to work with others.
- An interest in being a member of a team engaged in social policy research.

To apply, please submit a cover letter, resume, transcripts (unofficial are OK), writing sample and contact information for three references via our online employment web-site at (COPY AND PASTE URL INTO WEB BROWSER):

PROGRAM

WHEN: Wednesday, October 22, 2014, 4:30 pm
WHERE: G08 Uris Hall

Although competitive, applications are welcome from Juniors, Seniors, Graduate Students, and Young Professionals who have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. The program provides opportunities for personal development through an international experience, while allowing for cultural exchange through direct contact with a wide cross section of individuals in the host country. Fellows will either engage in an individually designed study/research project or teach English for one academic year.

More Information: Elizabeth Edmondson, t.255-8933, fulbright@einaudi.cornell.edu; http://www.einaudi.cornell.edu/fulbright_program

The Fulbright program at Cornell is administered by the Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies, 170 Uris Hall.