

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
Research Assistant/Research Associate
State Fiscal Project

The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, a non-profit policy institute, is seeking a research associate or research assistant to work on state budget and tax issues, particularly as they affect low-income populations. The Center has attained a national reputation for its unique capacity to blend rigorous, timely analyses with activities designed to enable policymakers, the media, and community leaders to make use of its work (www.cbpp.org).

The research associate/assistant will be part of the State Fiscal Project. The Project is a leading voice for equitable tax systems, adequate revenue streams, and transparency in state budgeting systems, and includes some of the nation's leading authorities on state fiscal policy. The Project also provides assistance to a lively, growing and increasingly influential network of non-profit policy organizations across the country.

The position involves a diverse mix of activities, including collecting and analyzing data, communicating technical research findings to non-technical audiences, preparing graphic presentations of findings, analyzing pending policy options, and utilizing academic research and other resource materials. The research associate/assistant helps to prepare major reports and analyses and provides information to policymakers, state and local advocates, and the press. Specific areas of focus may include state tax provisions affecting low-income families such as EITCs, the effects of climate-change policies on state budgets and family incomes, and trends in state finances, among others.

Candidates must have strong quantitative skills and a basic knowledge of economics and public finance. The position also requires facility with spreadsheets and working with large data sets. Applicants must demonstrate strong writing skills, a penchant for accuracy, and the ability to work on multiple tasks, often on a time-sensitive basis. A masters degree in public policy or a related field is preferred, although we will consider candidates with a bachelors degree who have relevant work experience. Some travel is required.

Salary: Commensurate with experience, excellent benefits, including two health insurance options, life and long term disability insurance, retirement, flexible spending accounts and generous vacation, sick leave, and holiday schedules.

To apply, send a resume and cover letter to:

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Resumes will be accepted until the position is filled.

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