

Research Assistant for Brian Elbel, PhD, MPH

Brian Elbel, PhD, MPH is looking to hire a graduate research assistant to join his team at NYU School of Medicine, Department of Population Health, to work on several research projects. Dr. Elbel's work uses the theory and findings of behavioral economics to explore how individuals make choices about their health and health care. The research assistant's work will focus primarily on obesity and food policy, with some expansion to other health policy areas possible. We have several ongoing projects concentrating on food policy in low-income, racially and ethnically diverse communities.

Project responsibilities for the research assistant include:

- Assist with a large project correlating retail food databases with child BMI records
- Data collection, entry, cleaning and coding
- Mapping and analyses using ArcGIS and other mapping programs
- Assisting with literature reviews, preparing articles, reports, and policy briefs
- Data analysis, including analyses of secondary datasets and experiments
- Administrative tasks as assigned

Qualifications include: Applicants must be enrolled in a graduate program. Strong quantitative skills are required. Applicants must have previous experience with ArcGIS. A background and/or coursework in research or research methods is preferred. Also necessary are strong verbal and written communication skills. This position is well suited for a graduate student with an interest in health-related research, including public health, health economics, and health policy and food/obesity policy. Research assistants will be expected to work 15 hours per week. This position pays \$15/hour.

Position begins immediately. For more information, please see:

<http://pophealth.med.nyu.edu/divisions/sohcpe>

To apply, please send your CV/Resume and a cover letter by February 9th, 2014 to Elbel.Jobs@gmail.com.