

Pre-Doctoral Research Fellow

Professor Alessandra Voena is accepting applications for pre-doctoral research fellows to begin in the summer or fall of 2021 and to be appointed for up to two years. The application deadline is October 16, 2020. Applications submitted after the deadline will be considered on a rolling basis.

The position will entail close collaboration with Professor Voena on empirical research projects in labor economics and development. For recent examples of Professor Voena's research, see the research section of her [website](#). Professor Voena's previous pre-docs have gone on to Ph.D. programs at the Harvard, Yale and Brown.

Candidates must hold a bachelor's degree or its equivalent, and should have (i) a strong quantitative background, (ii) excellent computer programming and analytical skills, and (iii) a long-term interest in pursuing research in economics. A background in economics is helpful but not necessary. Candidates from groups underrepresented in economics are especially encouraged to apply.

Pre-doctoral fellows will be part of the [SIEPR/Economics Pre-doctoral Research Fellowship program](#) based at [Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research \(SIEPR\)](#). Fellows will be appointed as non-matriculated graduate students at Stanford and can take up to one graduate-level courses for credit per quarter. The fellowship offers tuition, health insurance, and a living stipend (\$50,400 per year in 2019-2020). Due to the pandemic, there may be continuing or new restrictions on processing J1 visas. At this time, OPT can be used for international students in the program.

How to apply

- 1) Please complete [this](#) online application form.
- 2) Please email Sharyn Nantuna (snantuna@stanford.edu) with subject line "Application: Pre-Doc" and attach the following:
 - a. A cover letter describing your interest in the position, your familiarity with programming languages (e.g., Stata, R, MATLAB, Python), your prior experience as a research assistant and/or with independent research projects
 - b. A current resume or CV
 - c. A transcript (unofficial is fine)
- 3) Please ask two references to e-mail a letter of recommendation to Sharyn Nantuna (snantuna@stanford.edu)

Candidates who are also applying for a position with Professor Neale Mahoney may submit a single application. They should indicate their interest in both positions on the online application form and in their cover letter.

The application deadline is October 16, 2020, but applications submitted after the deadline may be given consideration. Short-listed applicants will be contacted in late October to complete a technical exercise and may be called for an interview. Please contact Sharyn Nantuna (snantuna@stanford.edu) or Professor Voena (avoena@stanford.edu) with any questions.