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Position Start Date	Available immediately
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Job Description

Senior Policy Researcher (Specialist) - UC Berkeley Labor Center - Institute for Research on Labor and Employment

The UC Berkeley Labor Center, at the Institute for Research on Labor and Employment (IRLE), UC Berkeley, has an opening for a senior policy researcher focused on low-wage work. Founded in 1964, the UC Berkeley Labor Center works on the most pressing economic challenges affecting working families in California and across the country. The Labor Center provides timely, policy-relevant research on labor and employment issues for policymakers and stakeholders, and conducts training for a new and diverse generation of worker leaders and students.

The researcher will conduct policy-relevant research as well as provide technical assistance to

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stakeholders on public policies in California and across the country. This will be a senior position, developing, directing, and conducting research on low-wage work and a diverse set of policies that affect working families, immigrants, and communities of color. In addition to research, the position will entail supervising research staff, fundraising, and contributing to organizational leadership.

This position offers an exciting opportunity to be part of a high-impact, high-visibility organization and to work with a nationally-recognized team of researchers, policy analysts, and academics.

Responsibilities include:

- * Planning, directing and conducting policy-relevant research on labor and employment issues in the state of California
- * Providing technical assistance to stakeholders and policy makers on issues related to low-wage work, labor standards, and other labor and employment topics
- * Supervising research staff and graduate students
- * Coordinating research with academic researchers on other UC Campuses
- * Serving as lead author of research reports and policy briefs, drafting op-eds, and providing public testimony
- * Helping to secure research grants and serving as a Principal Investigator on grants

Basic Qualifications (required at start date)

- * Master's degree or equivalent international degree

Additional Qualifications

- * A minimum of five years experience in research and policy analysis

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Preferred Qualifications

- * Master's degree or equivalent degree in Public Policy, Sociology, Economics, Geography, City and Regional Planning or related field
- * Ten years relevant experience in research and policy analysis
- * Established track record of conducting labor market analyses of wages and other job quality outcomes, the role of race, gender and immigration status, and firm and industry dynamics
- * Strong quantitative skills and experience in using large government datasets and/or strong qualitative research skills and experience conducting mixed-method research
- * Proven ability to carry out complex research and policy analyses in the area of labor and employment
- * Advanced writing and communication skills, geared toward policy research reports
- * Advanced knowledge of labor standards policies and workers' rights
- * Experience working with academic researchers and stakeholders such as unions, worker centers, and others
- * Proven ability to work independently and creatively
- * PhD in Public Policy, Sociology, Economics, Geography, City and Regional Planning or related field
- * Substantial record of publishing research and policy reports

Position will be full-time; salary will be commensurate with experience. Expected start date is September 9, 2019.

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