

RESEARCH ASSISTANT POSITION IN ECONOMICS

Position to be filled: 1st September 2024.

Deadline for applications: 30/04/2024 (applications will be processed on a rolling basis as they are received).

The Centre for Research in Economics and Statistics (CREST) is a scientific research institution specialising in quantitative methods applied to the social sciences. The laboratory's primary research areas are economics, finance, statistics, actuarial sciences, and sociology. For more information, please visit the CREST website.

The position:

The successful candidate will join a team conducting research on information imperfections in labour markets, as part of the INASHI project (ERC-2022-COG Number 101087581). A key objective of the project is to generate new empirical evidence on the information frictions that hinder employers' hiring processes, in collaboration with the French public employment service, France Travail. The successful candidate will work directly with Roland Rathelot, PI of the project.

Responsibilities include:

- Managing data sets and producing summary statistics and data reports.
- Supporting principal investigators in econometric analysis.
- Helping in the preparation of research papers, and policy briefs.
- Maintaining tight relationships with policymakers, PES IT experts, employers, HR officers, and other stakeholders in the French labour market.

Your profile:

- You have recently obtained, or are about to complete, a master's degree in economics (or equivalent).
- You have a keen interest in labour economics and applied econometrics. Proficiency in machine learning methods will be considered an advantage.
- Proficiency in R is required. Additional coding expertise in Python and SQL will be considered beneficial.
- You must be fluent in either French and English, and proficient in the other language in both spoken and written forms.
- You are thorough, reliable, and attentive to detail, inquisitive, eager to learn, with the discernment to make autonomous decisions and the understanding of when to discuss ongoing issues collaboratively.
- As a collaborative team member, you enjoy engaging with fellow economists as well as with policymakers.

We offer:

- Contract type: Fixed-term contract (CDD) of 1 year.
- Yearly gross wage starting at 25,200 euros, depending on profile.
- Working hours: full-time.
- Start date: September 2024 (can be adjusted to candidates' preferences).
- Workplace: Most of the work is expected to be conducted either at the Palaiseau campus of ENSAE or at the France Travail headquarters in Paris. While remote work is feasible on selected days, face-to-face engagement will be prioritised whenever possible.

Application process: Please send your applications to erc.crest@ensae.fr and roland.rathelot@ensae.fr, including: a resume (with the name and contact details of two academic references), a cover letter, and a sample of code in R or Python.

All our positions are open to candidates with disabilities.



