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Job Advert – Research Assistant (RA)

London Business School Professor Marcel Olbert seeks professional Research Assistants for a period of at least six months to two years. The main tasks involve collecting data, maintaining databases, conducting statistical analyses, and providing other support associated with faculty research at the highest international academic standards. The research relies on empirical-archival methods and is mostly focused on accounting, corporate finance, and corporate taxation.

The ideal applicant should be completing (or have completed) a Bachelor's or Master's degree and have strong quantitative and programming skills. Candidates with research experience are strongly preferred, especially those with experience in Stata, SAS, Python and/or similar languages. Candidates need not be Economics majors, though they should have a strong interest in and some experience with economics, finance, or accounting. The ideal candidate is strongly interested in pursuing an academic career, i.e., enter a PhD program in the fields of economics, finance, or accounting in the future.

Start dates are flexible, and applications are considered at a rolling basis until positions are filled.

The workload can be expected to be around 20 hours per week, though it is totally up to individual arrangements both relating to the total workload as well as the distribution of workload over the academic year. A fair salary will be paid on a monthly basis and will always (flexibly) reflect the hours worked in a given month. Candidates need not to be residing in the United Kingdom but can work from anywhere in any time zone. That said, good communication skills are important. The Research Assistant will act as an individual supplier (i.e., freelancing basis). Pay does not come with employer benefits such as health insurance. The Research Assistant will deal with income taxes her/himself, accordingly.

If interested, please send the application materials (resume, cover letter, and postsecondary transcripts (unofficial is fine)) via email to <u>molbert@london.edu</u>.

About Professor Marcel Olbert:

- London Business School Assistant Professor of Accounting (<u>https://www.london.edu/faculty-and-research/faculty-profiles/m/marcel-olbert https://marcelolbert.com/</u>)
- PhD from the University of Mannheim with visits at Stanford and UNC
- His research papers have been accepted for publication at *The Accounting Review*, the *Journal of Accounting and Economics*. Other recent work is being considered for resubmission at leading academic journals.

Beyond the remunerations, the Research Assistant will benefit from:

- deep insights in databases covering the business world and macroeconomics, methodologies for empirical analyses, and coding languages
- acquiring skills of great benefit for future work in academia and the industry
- mentorship by Professor Olbert and his colleagues, including guidance on the potential way towards a PhD program
- the freedom to use working time to invest in new skills and learn