Careers at the IRC

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Research Assistant

Sector: Research
Location: Global
Employee Type: Temporary
Employee Category: Full Time

Description

Background/IRC Summary: The IRC is examining the evidence-base available underpinning key interventions in a variety of sectors in development and conflict contexts as part of strategic planning. The IRC's Research, Evaluation, and Learning Unit is leading this effort.

Job Overview/Summary: The Research Assistants will be responsible for carrying out search protocols and screening protocols, organizing search results, and storing articles and papers in a systematic way. The person should have experience with reviewing academic literature in a field relevant to international development or humanitarian response, have an understanding of rigorous research designs often used for generating causal inference, be detail-oriented, and have a basic familiarity with interventions in one of the following sectors: health, education, economic well-being, and/or violence and safety. The assistant will report to the Senior Coordinator, Evidence to Action, and will work closely with the Evidence to Action Manager. This position can be full time or part-time for 4-8 weeks

Major Responsibilities:

- Executing 2 search protocols (one as primary and one as the second coder/searcher)
- Systematically organizing all articles and papers that come out of the search
- Screening papers and articles that come out of the search for inclusion/exclusion
- Presenting search results in the form of a Gap Map

Job Requirements:

Education: A bachelor's degree in a social science or other relevant field (or working towards a degree).

Work Experience: Previous experience as a research assistant, experience with literature reviews, experience using reference managers like Zotero.

Demonstrated Skills and Competencies: Understanding of systematic searches for evidence, use of key words, ability to search relevant databases, ability to use a computer or the internet to carry out search protocols.

Language Skills: English required, fluency in Spanish, French, or Arabic a plus.

Working Environment: Standard remote work environment.

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