

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT
Postdoctoral Researcher in Entrepreneurship

THE POSITION

A research team at the Wisconsin School of Business is seeking an energetic, proactive, social science postdoctoral researcher with an interest in entrepreneurship to join a Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation funded big data research project on student entrepreneurship. The project will produce several papers and is also generating policy relevant insights. The postdoc will coauthor papers from the project. The research may be of particular interest for individuals interested in entrepreneurship, education, and labor market issues. The researcher will not be required to teach.

The ideal candidate will:

1. Be a proactive self-motivated scholar
2. Have a Ph.D. level understanding of econometrics or statistics
3. Be skilled in programming in STATA or R
4. Have excellent written communication skills with a willingness to become a better writer
5. Have a desire to publish in management journals or journals that bridge economics and management such as *Management Science*.
6. Be willing to learn from and engage with entrepreneurs, venture investors, and data.

Candidates with Ph.D. degrees in economics, sociology, demography, political science, or business are preferred. This is a fantastic position for a discipline trained scholar who is interested in transitioning into a role as a professor in a business school.

INVESTIGATORS

The research team is comprised of two faculty and several students.

Jon Eckhardt (Wisconsin). Jon is the Robert W. Pricer Chair in Enterprise Development and the Executive Director of the Weinert Center for Entrepreneurship at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a board member at several companies. He is also a cofounder of gener8tor, a top ranked business accelerator based in Wisconsin, which has helped to build over 50 companies that have gone on to raise over \$100 million dollars in venture funding and employ over 1,400 people. Eckhardt teaches in the undergraduate, MBA, Ph.D. and executive education programs. His research projects involve the study of various aspects of entrepreneurship, including firm formation, venture finance, initial public offerings, the role of information in entrepreneurship, and academic entrepreneurship. He has won several awards for teaching and researching entrepreneurship, including a \$50,000 fellowship from the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation. He was awarded a Schulze Distinguished Professor of Entrepreneurship by the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation in 2015

Brent Goldfarb (Maryland). Brent Goldfarb is an Associate Professor of Management and Entrepreneurship in the M&O Department at the University of Maryland's Robert H. Smith School of Business. He is also the

Academic Director at the Dingman Center for Entrepreneurship. Goldfarb holds a Ph.D. in economics from Stanford University. Goldfarb's research focuses on the development of new industries with a focus on the implications on the role of startups in the economy. He focuses on such questions as "How do markets and employer policies affect incentives to discover new commercially valuable technologies? and When is it best to commercialize them through new technology-based firms? Are business plans useful? and When are there bubbles in new industries? Goldfarb was awarded a Schulze Distinguished Professor of Entrepreneurship by the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation in 2016

Bek Khoshimov (Wisconsin). Bek is a Ph.D. student at the University of Wisconsin-Madison studying entrepreneurship. He holds a M.S. in econometrics and quantitative economics from University of Wisconsin and a B.S. in Mathematical Sciences from Nanyang Technological University in Singapore.

Yutian (Carol) Liu (Wisconsin). Carol is a second year graduate student in the MS program in Economics at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She graduated from Shanghai University of Finance and Economics where she majored in Economics and minored in Mathematics. She plans to start a Ph.D. program in economics or business in the Fall of 2019. She has worked as a RA on a variety of research projects including applied econometrics, marketing, and entrepreneurship.

Kai Gu (Wisconsin). Kai is a second year graduate student in the MS program in Economics at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He graduated from Fuzhou University and was majored in Mathematics. He plans to start a Ph.D. program in Economics in the Fall of 2019. He has been working on several projects in applied Econometrics and theory, and he is a RA for projects in econometrics and entrepreneurship.

Junting Wang (Wisconsin). Junting Wang is an undergraduate student at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She is pursuing a double major in Mathematics and Statistics and has been on the Dean's List for three semesters. Junting plans to pursue a Master's degree in Mathematics and Statistics. She is currently learning how to program and analyze data while contributing to the project. She has presented her work at the 2018 Undergraduate Symposium.

ABOUT THE CITY OF MADISON AND THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

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NEXT STEPS

Please submit your application using the Jobs Openings for Economists (JOE) system. Direct questions to Jon Eckhardt jon.eckhardt@wisc.edu. The successful candidate can start immediately. This position is open until filled or withdrawn.

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