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About the Wheeler Institute for Business and Development

The Wheeler Institute for Business and Development at London Business School aims to build awareness about the unique role business can play in improving the lives and livelihoods of the world's most disadvantaged communities. Through linking and applying relevant business expertise and working with our extended community – of local communities, business, policy makers, and researchers – we aim to understand, identify and promote solutions to significant challenges in social and economic development.

For an illustration of our research, you can explore our [website](#) and [our blog](#), or our most recent [Business Research for Impact brochure](#).

About London Business School

London Business School's academic strength and global outlook drives original and provocative business thinking. We challenge conventional wisdom, transform careers, and empower our people to change the way the world does business.

We pride ourselves on being an institution that welcomes people from all backgrounds, countries, cultures, identities and orientations. Interacting with our neighbours in the heart of London and with communities internationally is one way we aim to fulfil our vision.

Role description

Job type:	Full-time
Start date:	Academic year 2022/2023
Duration:	Two-year fixed term contract
Salary:	£36,000 per annum
Location:	London Business School, Regent's Park, London NW1 4SA

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What is the pre-doctoral research assistant programme?

The Wheeler Institute for Business and Development is seeking to appoint up to **three full-time Research Assistants** to work closely with leading faculty in Accounting, Economics, Finance, Management Science and Operations, Marketing, Organisational Behaviour or Strategy and Entrepreneurship at London Business School.

Successful candidates will support LBS faculty and the scope of work will depend on the nature of the research project and the subject area. Our Pre-Doctoral Research Assistants will be invited to take PhD courses, attend workshops and seminars, and access the rich intellectual and cultural campus life of LBS.

This programme aims to provide excellent preparation for recent or imminent postgraduates seeking to apply to high-level doctoral studies. It is well-suited for those individuals interested in pursuing rigorous research at the intersection of business and development, with a particular focus on developing countries.

Click [here](#) to learn more about this programme and how the experience of our current Pre-Doctoral Researchers has profoundly shaped their academic ambitions.

What does this programme involve?

Responsibilities may include:

- Supporting statistical data analysis and assisting with dissemination of results through journal publications, presentations, blogs etc.
- Collecting and organising data-sets as well as preparing and documenting the analysis process
- Conducting literature reviews to support research projects
- Pro-actively engaging with faculty on research ideas
- Coordinating field research in developing countries

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Why apply?

- Opportunity to work closely with faculty spanning Accounting, Economics, Finance, Management Science and Operations, Marketing, Organisational Behaviour or Strategy and Entrepreneurship
- Exposure to world-leading academics who integrate you into their research, provide you with valuable advice and are determined to see you succeed
- Exposure to multiple research streams and opportunity to create impact through rigorous research at the intersection of business and development
- Refining current research skills and developing new ones
- Opportunity to audit PhD seminars and workshops to get equipped for high-level doctoral studies

What kind of person are we looking for?

- Outstanding academic background, including **recent or imminent completion of a postgraduate degree** (such as MA, MS, MSc, MRes, MPhil, MBA or equivalent – first class honours students will be considered competitive)
- Strong interest in business research for development
- Desire to create a ‘real world’ impact
- Excellent organisational and analytical skills
- Communication, curiosity and strong attention to detail
- Knowledge of software such as R, Matlab, Python or Stata
- Successful GRE/GMAT prior to commencing role is desirable

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Why work with us?

World-class research

We undertake pioneering research that directly influences business leaders, policymakers and other researchers around the world. Our academics work at the forefront of global business research and teaching. Business leaders, governments, professionals and the media look to us for the latest insights and theory.

We are changing the way world does business - starting right here, with our people. 67% of the LBS senior leadership is female. Across our faculty, 28 nationalities are represented with 30 % of our faculty being female.

Engage with our faculty and PhD programme

Research-oriented business schools offer some of the most exciting and well-resourced environments in which to conduct interdisciplinary social science.

Joining the Wheeler Institute's pre-doctoral research assistant programme provides insight into LBS's PhD programme. For reference, both our current Pre-Doctoral researchers were offered places in PhD programmes at other leading institutions but accepted an offer with the Marketing and Economic subject areas at LBS.

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How to apply

Please submit your application [here](#) or use this link: <https://apply.interfolio.com/103268>

Required documents:

- (i) Completed application form
- (ii) Cover letter
- (iii) CV with full educational history and including any relevant professional experience, knowledge of statistical/econometric software
- (iv) Two reference letters
- (v) Completed Diversity Monitoring Form

London Business School is an equal opportunities employer. London Business School exists to advance learning and research in business management.

Inclusion and Diversity have always been the cornerstone of London Business School's values and we particularly welcome female applicants and those from an ethnic minority as they are currently under-represented within our research faculty.

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Anticipated timeline

The closing date for applications is **Wednesday 8 June 2022** at **5pm BST & WAT / 12pm ET** with the intention to interview in July and commence in September/October.

Should we have to reassess the timelines of our recruitment process, we will get in touch with applicants and update our website accordingly.

Virtual session with our current Pre-Doctoral Research Assistants (attendance is optional)

Wednesday 25 May 2022,
3pm BST & WAT / 10am EST
To attend this session, please click [here](#).
Passcode: 649036

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Applications reviewed and shortlisted by

Mid/end of June

Interviews

Beginning/mid of July

Final selection

End of July

Pre-doctoral researchers commence

September/October

Contact

We look forward to hearing from you. For further information about the role or to ask any questions, please visit london.edu/wheelerinstitute or get in touch with:

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Our location

The Wheeler Institute for Business and Development resides at London Business School's main campus, Sussex Place, in the heart of London. Overlooking Regent's Park, the campus which was designed in the 1800's is within easy access from the city and the west end.

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Directions

[Download our campus map](#)

