

Applied Social Science Positions

Two Full-time Research Analyst Positions

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
Salt Lake City, UT

Research Information Division

Under the direction of the General Authorities, we provide timely, relevant, and reliable research information. At their request, we help identify needs, analyze problems, and suggest innovative solutions. The issues we address are interesting, challenging, and wide-ranging in scope. For example, we study and consult on basic religious processes, evaluate Church programs and products, and monitor key trends.

We work in a dynamic, team-oriented environment and are looking for bright, talented, energetic people to join us. Our division includes research professionals from a variety of social science disciplines. Each individual is expected to participate in research, scholarship, team leadership, and consulting.

Start Date

Early to mid-2010, depending on candidate availability

Salary

Commensurate with qualifications and experience

Includes attractive benefits package (e.g. health insurance, group life insurance plan, employer-matched savings plan, retirement plan)

Relocation reimbursement may be available

Application

Apply on-line: www.LDS.jobs (position numbers 0900564 and 0900565)

Please include in your on-line application a letter of introduction describing your qualifications and what you feel you would contribute to this work.

For full consideration apply before January 8, 2010.

Questions about these positions can be directed to:

Dr. Linda Charney, Search Committee Chair, charneyla@ldschurch.org

Turn page over for qualifications and descriptions of positions.

General Qualifications

Education

- Minimum* Master's degree in the social/behavioral sciences
Preferred Ph.D. in the social/behavioral sciences

Work Experience

- Minimum* Two years post-bachelors degree professional work experience

Other Requirements

- Ability to work under pressure on multiple projects
Occasional travel
Member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in good standing

Specific Qualifications

Position 1 (0900565)

This position involves all phases of applied research from conceptualization of information needs to consulting on use of information. Candidates must have demonstrated experience and ability in:

- Research* Producing quality information using appropriate research methods (qualitative and quantitative) and communicating findings through written reports and presentations
- Scholarship* Developing theoretical models to explain complex ideas
- Leadership* Participating in or directing multi-disciplinary teams using strong interpersonal skills
- Consulting* Consulting with clients to solve organizational problems and answer administrative questions

Position 2 (0900564)

This position consists of two parts: First, designing and administering social surveys using a variety of methods (e.g., web, telephone, paper/pencil); Second, work on other applied research projects (similar to Position 1 above). Candidates must be *current in all aspects of survey methods and technologies* and have demonstrated experience and ability in:

- Research* Designing and programming questionnaires, analyzing data using statistical software (e.g., SAS, SPSS), managing large databases
- Scholarship* Studying emerging survey technologies
- Leadership* Supervising others such as support staff
- Consulting* Consulting with clients on survey and question design