

Applied Social Science Research Manager

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

Posting Info:

Job ID:
Type of position: Regular Full-time
Posting Dates: 2/13/2015-3/13/2015
Department: Correlation – Research Information Division (RID)
Start Date: Preferred May to September 2015 or as negotiated
Salary: Commensurate with qualifications and experience

Purposes

This senior position conducts and directs all phases of applied research from helping to define information needs to consulting on the use of information. This information enables Church leaders to focus their efforts to greater effect in helping individuals and families come unto Christ. Research Managers lead out in project design, implementation, execution, and client presentations and meetings.

Qualifications

Master's or PhD degree in the social/behavioral sciences
Minimum of eight years professional work experience required with completed PhD
or ten or more years professional work experience with completed Master's
degree
Demonstrated management of large and complex research projects
Ability to work under pressure on multiple projects and administrative duties
Strong oral and written communication skills
Ability to provide excellent customer service
Occasional travel
Cross-cultural research experience and advanced statistical expertise very helpful
Member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and currently worthy of
a temple recommend

Responsibilities

- Conceptualize* Develop theoretical models to explain complex ideas and integrate ideas across several topic areas.
- Conduct Research* Work with clients to define research needs; produce quality information using appropriate research methods (qualitative and quantitative); and communicate findings through written reports and presentations. Apply strong theoretical and conceptual thinking to designing research within organizational constraints; oversee technical aspects of data analysis; and develop implications of findings; etc. Create databases and analyze data using inferential statistics and models.
- Lead Others* Use strong interpersonal skills to direct or participate in multi-disciplinary teams; mentor junior colleagues; be accountable for the quality of work processes and products; and manage limited resources well.
- Consult* Consult with high level clients to answer administrative questions and solve complex organizational problems.

Research Information Division (RID)

Under the direction of the General Authorities, RID provides timely, relevant, and reliable research information. At their request, we help identify needs, analyze problems, and suggest 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 conceptualization, research, leadership, and consulting.

Application

Apply on-line: www.LDS.jobs (Click on the “Advanced Search” link and enter the job reference ID number 125541 in the “Job Opening ID” field after signing in.)

Please include in your on-line application 1) a letter of introduction describing your qualifications and what you feel you would contribute to this work and 2) a vita or resume.

For full consideration apply before March 13, 2015.

Questions about this position can be directed to:

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