Position: Senior Research Associate – Wilson Sheehan Lab for Economic Opportunities

The Wilson Sheehan Lab for Economic Opportunities (LEO) at the University of Notre Dame is seeking a Senior Research Associate to help the Lab expand its portfolio of impact evaluations designed to identify effective and scalable anti-poverty programs.

Responsibilities:

*Relationship Building and Management*
- Build and develop partnerships with innovative service providers who are working with vulnerable populations
- Establish relationships with federal, state, and local government agencies that oversee anti-poverty programs
- Communicate with providers and government agencies about how impact evaluations, in particular randomized controlled trials, work and how such evaluations can help them improve the effectiveness of their services
- Help manage current relationships with service providers already engaged in LEO impact evaluations
- Meet with current partner agencies and potential partner agencies across the country

*Project Development and Results Dissemination*
- Identify viable research projects with local service providers and government agencies that are innovative, scalable, and replicable
- Determine potential partner agencies’ readiness to participate in research projects
- Work with LEO faculty affiliates to launch new research projects
- Encourage service providers to participate in impact evaluations
- Communicate evidence of program effectiveness to national networks of service providers and government agencies

Qualifications:
An MBA, MPP, MPH, or similar degree is strongly preferred and three or more years of work experience is required. Some experience with impact evaluations, particularly randomized controlled trials, is a plus. The candidate should demonstrate strong leadership, communication, writing, and presentation skills. A deep commitment to the mission of both LEO and the University is necessary.

About LEO:
The Wilson Sheehan Lab for Economic Opportunities is an academic research center at the University of Notre Dame. Through rigorous impact evaluations, LEO identifies innovative, effective, and scalable programs that help people move out of poverty. LEO’s research is conducted by faculty from the University of Notre Dame as well as scholars from across the country with expertise in evaluating the impact of domestic anti-poverty programs. LEO was launched in 2012 and currently has 5 full-time staff members along with a number of Notre Dame faculty who are
actively involved. We expect to add several staff positions as the Lab grows considerably over the next few years.

How to Apply:

Compensation is competitive. To apply, send a resume and cover letter to leo@nd.edu. Candidates may also apply online through jobs.nd.edu. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Questions should be directed to Katie Kuka, Associate Director, at kkuka@nd.edu.