Full-Time Post-BA Research Fellows in Economics at Yale University:

Professors John Eric Humphries and Yusuke Narita are looking to hire full-time pre-doctoral research fellows. We work on a broad range of topics in applied microeconomics with an emphasis on education, health, and labor market policy. Our research also often draws heavily on econometric and machine-learning methods as well as economic theory. The fellows will be based at Yale University (the Cowles Foundation and the Economics Department) under the direction of us and collaborators at Yale and other institutions. We expect to involve the fellows in all stages of research – brainstorming, literature reviews, data hunting and collecting, model building, model estimation and simulation, making presentations, and writing papers. A love of working with data, cleaning it, understanding it, and presenting it in enlightening ways—is essential for this position. Methodological interests in econometrics, labor economics, machine learning, economic theory, and statistics are also a big plus.

Merits:
In addition to working directly with both Professor Humphries and Professor Narita, the fellows will have the opportunity to interact with the larger research community at Yale. The fellows will have office space on campus and have chances to exploit educational and research resources at Yale. The fellows will have the flexibility to attend classes and seminars, interact and potentially co-author papers with other faculty members, visitors, other research assistants, and graduate and undergraduate students. We will also support fellows’ graduate school applications. The position is ideal for a recent college graduate wishing to gain research experience prior to pursuing a Ph.D. in economics, other social sciences, or computer science with a social and economic focus.

Qualifications:
Candidates should have quantitative and coding skills, especially experience in general purpose languages like Python or C++ and statistical languages like R, Stata, or Matlab. Candidates need not be economics majors, though they should have some experience with economics. We welcome applicants from other fields such as, but not limited to, computer science, engineering, mathematics, physics, political science, psychology, and statistics. Applicants must be either U.S. citizens, permanent residents, or those with a valid work visa or OPT status.

Package:
Salary will be competitive and depend on skills and qualifications of the applicant. Health care will be included.

Time period:
Candidates would work with us at least for a half year and ideally for a period of one to two years. Start date is flexible, but would ideally start in the summer of 2018.

How to Apply:
Send the following as a single document to yale.research.fellow@gmail.com with subject ”Application.” Please include the following in the application:

1. Applications should include a cover-letter highlighting:
   1. Your familiarity with Matlab, Python, R, and Stata as well as any other language.
   2. Your experience as a research assistant and with any independent research.
   3. One or more references and their contact information. At least one reference must be someone for whom you have worked as a research assistant, someone who has supervised your research, or a professor you took classes from.
2. Transcripts (unofficial is fine).
3. Resumes / CVs
4. Writing sample (e.g., thesis, term paper).
5. Any other relevant information.

Deadline:
We welcome expressions of interest from exceptional candidates at any time of the year, but plan to review all applicants in early January and hope to make hiring decisions at that time. Otherwise, we will review applications on a rolling basis, so please send in yours as soon as possible.

Questions:
Questions can be directed at yale.research.fellow@gmail.com with subject ”Question”