

Research and Policy Fellow

The Economic Innovation Group (EIG) is a bipartisan research and advocacy organization dedicated to forging a more dynamic, entrepreneurial, and innovative U.S. economy for the 21st century. With its headquarters in Washington, D.C., EIG produces industry-leading data products, develops original policy ideas, and works to advance creative legislative proposals that will bring new jobs, investment, and economic growth to communities across the nation. After launching in 2015, EIG has quickly emerged as a leading voice in national conversations about how to build an economy that works for more people and more places.

About the Role

EIG is looking for a dynamic and motivated emerging leader in economic research and/or policy to join us for a **6-12 month fellowship**. (Candidates interested in full-time roles should apply to the analyst position instead or, alternatively, express their desire to be considered for both roles in their cover letter).

The Fellow will become deeply involved in all aspects of the organization's work. The fellow will work with EIG's Research Director to conceptualize and execute research projects and to further develop the organization's policy agenda. In addition, the Fellow will have the opportunity to design and conduct an independent research project to be published by EIG if they wish to have such a capstone to mark their tenure. EIG is committed to tailoring the fellowship to suit the particular background, interests, and professional goals of the successful candidate.

Specific responsibilities may include, but not be limited, to the following:

- Contribute to the development of a leading-edge research agenda that directly informs creative, actionable policy proposals to reinvigorate the dynamism of the U.S. economy and its regions.
- Process and analyze a wide variety of economic data related to EIG issue areas.
- Track the latest indicator releases from the Census Bureau, Bureau of Labor Statistics, etc.
- Conduct literature reviews, stakeholder interviews, policy evaluations, and qualitative research to inform public policy recommendations and practitioner handbooks.
- Review the latest scholarly articles related to EIG issue areas.
- Devise creative data visualizations and other methods of presenting EIG content.
- Draft blogs, op-eds, presentations, and report content.
- Devise new data resources and analytic approaches to better understand and track progress in the nation's recently-designated Opportunity Zones.
- Assist in conducting spot research and drafting briefers on key policy areas of focus, including economic and community development, entrepreneurship, innovation, and access to capital.
- Regularly attend and report back on relevant think tank events in DC.

EIG provides its team members with an exceptional platform to learn, grow, and build their professional networks. As a high-impact, highly-networked organization, EIG offers successful candidates the opportunity to influence public policy in real time and on behalf of the people, places, and aspiring entrepreneurs that don't have traditional advocates in Washington.



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Qualifications

- Master's degree in relevant field (e.g. public policy, economics, development). Current graduate students and recent graduates are eligible.
- Demonstrated interest in EIG's core issue areas (economic and community development, entrepreneurship, innovation, and access to capital) either through past work, volunteer experience, or independent research projects.
- Demonstrated fluency in methods of qualitative and quantitative analysis.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Familiarity with the policymaking process gained through prior work experience on the Hill or in state or local government preferred but not required.
- Entrepreneurial spirit and desire to work in a fast-paced environment.
- Self-motivated, creative, organized, and deeply committed to personal and organizational excellence.

Apply

Candidates must be available to start by June 1, 2020. Compensation is competitive and commensurate with experience. Applicants should send a resume and cover letter to careers@eig.org with the subject line "EIG 2020 Research and Policy Fellow."