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Fellowship Opportunity (Harvard MIT Data Center)

We are seeking scholars with a strong background in statistics and social science for a 1-year fellowship at the Harvard-MIT Data Center (HMDC). While at HMDC fellows will spend a portion of their time assisting researchers and students with statistical analysis.

The ideal candidate will have a strong background in the statistics as applied to social science (e.g. political methodology, econometrics, sociometrics, psychometrics), statistical programming skills, communication skills, and a substantive research interest that would allow him/her to take best advantage of the IQSS research environment. Experience with the legal profession and legal research, and as a statistical consultant or teaching fellow in a statistics course is highly desirable.

Directed by Professor Gary King, HMDC is closely integrated with the Institute for Quantitative Social Sciences (IQSS), the Department of Government, the Harvard College Library Social Sciences Program, and the MIT Social Science Data Services. HMDC is the principle supplier of social science data for Harvard University and MIT and is involved in developing and supporting the cutting-edge technologies that support IQSS, Harvard's home for social science research.

Appointments are for one year (12-months), with the possibility of extension. Fellows are expected to work 17.5 hours per week supporting faculty, students, and staff with statistical analysis. They receive a salary (\$29,000 for a 12-month year for 2009-2010 academic year), full health care benefits, office space, access to seminars and classes, and access to computer and research facilities.

Interested parties should send a letter of interest that summarizes your experience with statistical methodology and statistical computing; an academic vita; a writing sample; any teaching evaluations if available for statistic courses; and two letters of recommendation (preferably focusing on both statistical knowledge, teaching experience and the usual academic merit) to:

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