Wharton Risk Management and Decision Processes Center

Postdoctoral Research Positions
in Risk Management, Decision Making and Insurance

Academic Year 2013-2014

The Center for Risk Management and Decision Processes at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania is seeking applicants for two postdoctoral fellowship positions in decision making, risk management and/or insurance as applied to natural hazards, terrorism and/or climate change. One fellowship will focus on flood risk and resilience.

Applicants will work with the Center’s directors, Howard Kunreuther, Robert Meyer, and Erwann Michel-Kerjan, as well as other researchers, on a variety of new and on-going projects in these areas, as well be expected to undertake original research.

Applicants must have a strong analytic background, and are welcome from a variety of fields, including behavioral science, environmental science, economics, insurance, psychology, and/or sociology.

Location: Philadelphia, PA – USA
Starting date: Summer 2013
Length: 1-2 years

How to apply: Please email your C.V. and 1 or 2 representative publications or working papers to Chioma Fitzgerald (ccf@wharton.upenn.edu). In addition, please provide two letters of recommendation which should also be sent to the above email address. Applicants must have a Ph.D. (expected completion by June 30, 2013 is acceptable) from an accredited institution. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Application deadline is March 30, 2013.

About the Wharton Risk Management and Decision Processes Center

For nearly three decades, the Center for Risk Management and Decision Processes at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania has been at the forefront of basic and applied research to promote effective corporate and public policies for low probability events with potentially catastrophic consequences. Building on the disciplines of economics, finance, insurance, marketing, psychology and decision sciences, the Center supports and undertakes field and experimental studies of risk and uncertainty to better understand the linkage between descriptive and prescriptive approaches under various regulatory and market conditions. The Center now includes 70 faculty, research fellows and visiting scholars from all over the world to undertake large-scale initiatives. Providing expertise and a neutral environment for discussion, the Center team is also concerned with training decision makers and promoting a dialogue among industry, governments, interest groups and academics through its research and policy publications and through sponsored seminars, roundtables and forums. For more information, visit www.wharton.upenn.edu/riskcenter.

The University of Pennsylvania values diversity and seeks talented students, faculty and staff from diverse backgrounds. The University of Pennsylvania is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer. Women, minority candidates, veterans and individuals with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply.

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