

University of Manchester Q-Step Summer Project 2019

Ref #23: UoMQStep 2019 ILC – Our Ageing Society

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Organisation Name: International Longevity Centre - UK

Team/Department: Research Team

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Provisional title for project: Our Ageing Society – Fact Packs

The ILC are seeking to publish a series of fact pack style publications looking at our ageing society, both today and looking forward. These publications will require secondary analysis of official statistics, including from the Office for National Statistics and the Annual Population Survey, amongst others, and place them in the contemporary policy context. Subjects will include:

- Workforce issues
- Health
- Diversity of older people
- The economic implications of ageing

We are able to offer a motivated intern an opportunity to work with Dan Holden (Research Fellow) and Lyndsey Gorely (Head of Operations) to contribute to our publications and possibly our internal presentations.

Key words (up to 12):

Demographics; Ageing Society; Social research; Public policy

Essential and desirable skills that the student would need to have:

Essential:

- Positive attitude, keen to work in a small but dynamic team and willingness to learn quickly.
- Experience of undertaking a literature review.
- Experience with quantitative data, including ability to analyse and manipulate data.
- Proficient with Microsoft Office (ideally with advanced Excel skills).
- Excellent oral and written English.

Desirable:

- Knowledge of multivariate analysis.
- Working knowledge of statistical package STATA or equivalent.

Where the work would be carried out:

At the ILC-UK's London office for 8 weeks during the summer. Normal office hours.

Preferred selection method (interview or other method):

Interview, with the option to view CVs and select potential candidates in advance.

Interview preference (on campus, remote, in your office):

At the ILC office

Support and training offered by the organisation:

Project support would be provided by the project lead (Dan Holden) and the who would liaise with the intern on a daily basis ensuring all tasks are fully understood and that deadlines are met. Additional support would be available from the Director of Programmes (Kate Jopling) and other members of the team. The intern would be encouraged to take part in relevant training courses during their time at ILC. The ILC has a long history of supporting internships and are keen to ensure that the student finds the placement fun and fulfilling.

ILC will hold an evaluation meeting with the student at the end of the placement and agree what references etc. will be given, as appropriate.

Any issues of data confidentiality and/or IPR that would need to be resolved:

The intern would be bound by the confidentiality clause, solicitation clause and intellectual property clause in the ILC's standard terms and conditions of employment contract.

Supporting information:

The outputs from the analysis are likely to be published (with full acknowledgements to the role of the student) and there is the possibility of doing internal presentations on the findings to colleagues at the ILC (and potentially external stakeholders) and attendance at a launch event.

Financial assistance offered by the organisation:

Unfortunately, the ILC is not in a position to offer additional payment to the student.