



Position Name: Research Assistant

Who we are:

MarketShare Associates (MSA) is a global consulting firm committed to creating, implementing and measuring innovative economic development programming. We are social entrepreneurs who take a collaborative approach to working with businesses, development agencies, and donors who seek to catalyze improvement in market systems and empower people to take advantage of economic opportunities across Latin America, Africa and Asia. We work with the private sector (e.g., McKinsey & Company, KPMG, PWC), bilateral and multilateral funders (e.g., International Finance Corporation, DFID, USAID), and NGOs (e.g., Aga Khan Foundation, TechnoServe, CARE) to achieve impact across three key practice areas:

- Results Measurement, Learning and Evaluation
- Market Systems Facilitation
- Economic Empowerment

Our team is deeply passionate about the work that we do. We recognize that inclusive economic development is a complex and dynamic process that unfolds within unique social, cultural, political and environmental contexts. As such, we are committed to bringing a spirit of curiosity, humility and excitement to our work. We pride ourselves on being a learning organization, continuously pushing the frontiers of knowledge development within our field, while being rooted in a strong community of practice, both locally and internationally.

For more information about our approach and work, please visit: www.marketshareassociates.com

Who we're looking for:

MSA seeks a driven professional with research experience to support our team in the position of part-time **Research Assistant** in the Denver, Colorado office. Strong performance could ultimately result in a full-time position.

Specific responsibilities include:

- Conducting research (e.g., identifying relevant sources, critically reviewing, synthesizing key points) into relevant topics (e.g., measuring results, building learning systems, economic empowerment)
- Synthesizing the analysis into concise annotated bibliographies or briefs
- Producing guidance documentation for programs based on the research findings
- Supporting team members with required management tasks

And other tasks as required.



Required Qualifications:

- Enrolled in or recently graduated from University in a relevant field (e.g., economics, international affairs, business administration, social work)
- Strong critical thinking and writing skills
- Understands secondary research methods
- Interest in and passion for a career in international development
- Experience working, studying or living in a developing country
- Highly innovative, creative thinker
- A fast learner
- Detail oriented
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Capacity to take initiative and be a self-starter

Other desired characteristics

- Graduate degree or enrollment preferred
- Quantitative analysis skills
- Advanced proficiency in written and oral French, Spanish and/or Portuguese
- Advanced computer literacy, including strong Excel and PowerPoint skills
- Ability to work well with teams and individually

This position would require a variable level of input of up to 20 hours per week. Hourly remuneration commensurate with the qualifications of the successful candidate. Interested candidates should contact jobs@marketshareassociates.com with an up-to-date CV, a cover letter and writing sample.

Deadline to apply: May 22, 2015