



# The Iowa Policy Project

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## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT **Research Associate**

The Iowa Policy Project is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization founded in 2001 to conduct research and analysis on policy issues of critical importance to the citizens of Iowa. IPP work focuses on tax and budget issues, the Iowa economy, and energy and environmental policy. We are seeking a policy analyst to focus on budget and tax issues, with particular emphasis on economically vulnerable Iowans.

### **Responsibilities**

The person's primary responsibility will be contributing to IPP research on budget and tax issues with an emphasis on policies affecting Iowans in poverty and the state and national safety net. Researchers are expected to work on several research projects during the year and to be available to contribute to more than one area of IPP research. The research associate is expected to participate in follow-up and outreach activities related to his or her work, which could include responding to questions from the media and policy makers and making presentations to community groups around the state, state advocacy organizations, and legislative committees. The researcher is also expected to participate with other staff in reviewing reports and in identifying new areas of research and sources of funding.

### **Qualifications**

Applicants should have the ability to conduct research and to write and communicate clearly to varied audiences. An MA or MS in economics, public policy, planning or a related social science field is preferred. Persons with a BA and significant experience in social science research or public policy analysis will be considered. Desirable qualifications include strong statistical skills, education or experience relating to budget analysis, economic policy and/or health policy, and strong writing and communications skills. Experience working with census and labor market data would be helpful.

### **Compensation**

This is a full-time position. Starting compensation will be based on an annual salary of \$44,000 per year, with generous retirement, health and vacation benefits, as well as a flex benefit. Scheduled pay raises occur at six months and one year.

To apply, send a resume, cover letter, and list of references by email to: Nathan Shepherd at [nshepherd@iowapolicyproject.org](mailto:nshepherd@iowapolicyproject.org) or by mail to: The Iowa Policy Project, 20 East Market Street, Iowa City, IA 52245.

Applications will be reviewed as they are received. Interviews will be conducted throughout November 2017 or early December if necessary, and we expect the person hired will begin work no later than January 1, 2018. **Resumes will be accepted until the position is filled.**

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