

Research Assistant Opportunity
Casual Position
Research Assistant 3
[Ex Support; R-1]

Position start date: June 1st, 2025

Overview:

The primary job duties for the field research assistant include the following tasks:

- Treat and standardize data extracted from financial databases: SDC-Platinum M&A and IPO, Compustat NA & Global, I/B/E/S, FISD, TRACE, Dealscan, CRSP, Osiris, Orbis, and Bordex.
- Prepare data for statistical and econometric treatment.
- Build Global Data Universe (GDU) files for the extracted data (files with data and variables definitions).

The successful candidate will work with, and directly report to, Dr. Jocelyn Grira at Athabasca University.

Qualifications:

- Master is statistics, finance, economics or a related/relevant field.
- Minimum of 10 years of experience with financial data extraction and treatment.
- Advanced knowledge of specialized financial databases: SDC-Platinum M&A and IPO, Compustat NA & Global, I/B/E/S, FISD, TRACE, Dealscan, CRSP, Osiris, Orbis, and Bordex.
- Prepare data for statistical and econometric treatment.

The position is based in Edmonton, Alberta. Remote work is possible.

How to apply:

Qualified individuals are encouraged to submit their application by email to Dr. Jocelyn Grira at jgrira@athabascau.ca. Applications should include (as a single PDF file) a brief cover letter that summarizes your skills, interests and experience; a current resume or curriculum vitae; an unofficial copy of your transcript; and the contact information for 1-2 references.

Evaluation of applications will begin immediately and will continue until a suitable candidate is found. All applicants are thanked for their interest in this position; however, only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

Athabasca University and the researchers are committed and seek to support equity in employment and research opportunities. We strongly encourage applications from Indigenous people, people of colour, people with disabilities, 2SLGBTQ+ people, women, and other historically marginalized groups. Applicants are welcome, but not required, to self-identify in their letter of application.

For more information on this Research Assistant Opportunity, please contact Jocelyn Grira, PhD at the coordinates below. Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is found.

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