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Job Title:	Research Associate, Global Cities
Organization:	Chicago Council on Global Affairs
Location:	Chicago, IL
Stipend:	\$67,500 with health insurance for the fellow, professional development funds, and relocation allowance
Start Date:	August 1 or September 4, 2018

ORGANIZATION DESCRIPTION

The Chicago Council on Global Affairs is an independent, nonpartisan membership organization that provides insight—and influences the public discourse—on critical global issues. We convene leading global voices, conduct independent research, and engage the public to explore ideas that will shape our global future. The Council is committed to bringing clarity and offering solutions to issues that transcend borders and transform how people, business, and governments engage the world.

The Chicago Council on Global Affairs drives dialogue on the rise and influence of global cities to shape our political, social, and economic lives and develop solutions to critical global challenges. A team of distinguished fellows, research associates, and nonresident fellows provides analysis and commentary on issues affecting global cities. Their research includes defining what makes a global city, examining the role of global cities as actors in global governance, developing a global engagement strategy for Chicago that can serve as a model for others, and exploring how arts and culture shape, define, and enhance global cities. Learn more at www.thechicagocouncil.org.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

The primary responsibility of the Global Cities Research Associate is to work with the Global Cities team within the Studies department to develop policy-focused research, writing, and public education outreach on best policies and practices of global cities from a comparative perspective. We are particularly seeking candidates with interests related to the **foreign policy of cities, climate change, immigration, pandemics and healthy cities, urban violence, and/or inequality**. Within one or more of these areas, under the guidance and in collaboration with the Director of Global Cities, the Research Associate will focus his/her first year on identifying best practices and lessons learned. In the second year of the fellowship, s/he will communicate the findings in an accessible manner to engage the general public and decision makers in the form of a final research report as the author or co-author. This position is ideal for candidates who would like to transition to a public policy career alongside a global network of foreign policy practitioners and experts.

Key duties and responsibilities:

- Develop, manage, and implement research and public education on policy analysis of issues in global cities in collaboration with fellow researchers in the Studies department of the Chicago Council;
- Identify and recruit key domestic and international leaders in government, foreign policy, business, NGOs, academia, and the media to feature on Council platforms, including the annual

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You may *not* contact the host institution to inquire about this position.

Chicago Forum on Global Cities in collaboration with the Programs and Development departments;

- Develop, manage, and implement small-group, discussion-oriented events with experts, policymakers, and diplomats for members of key Council constituencies;
- Serve as a representative of the Studies department before external audiences and visiting delegations and accept invitations to public convenings on behalf of the Council; and
- Actively engage in digital communications and social media conversations to keep abreast of the latest developments in his/her areas of interest and to communicate with the broader global audience.

QUALIFICATIONS

- PhD in the humanities or humanistic social sciences;
- Excellent knowledge of and experience with global issues; international work and/or study experience is essential;
- Excellent interpersonal skills;
- Strong verbal communication skills;
- Superior research/writing skills and analytical/organizational abilities;
- Flexibility and problem-solving abilities;
- Ability to meet deadlines and to handle increasing levels of responsibility;
- Ability to work with a team;
- Highly motivated self-starter; and
- Experience with policy thought leadership or decision making is highly desirable.

APPLICATIONS

- Information on the Mellon/ACLS Public Fellows Program:
www.acls.org/programs/publicfellows
- All applications must be submitted through the ACLS Online Fellowship Application System (ofa.acls.org)
- Application deadline: March 14, 2018, 9 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time