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- Carry out research and literature review for use in PSU studies
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- Perform other duties as assigned by PSU staff

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- Undergraduate degree in Economics, Public Policy, Statistics, or Communications, or a similar area of specialisation. Skilled undergraduate students in their senior year may also apply.
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- Experience in data management and analysis. Some knowledge of STATA will be an advantage.
- Proficient in the use of MS Office applications such as Word and Excel.
- Ability to work in written and spoken English.

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