



Professors Vicky Fouka (Stanford University) and Aala Abdelgadir (University of Pittsburgh) are recruiting two highly motivated research assistants to support a new research project on public religious expression in France. These positions are for an initial pilot phase, with the possibility of extension for the main study based on performance and project needs. During the pilot stage, research assistants will work 5-10 hours per week for 2 months.

This project aims to characterize Muslims' attitudes toward and Muslim women's motivations for veiling in public. RAs will be responsible for data collection, including recruiting participants and administering surveys in key neighborhoods in French cities.

Core tasks include:

- Manage project field logistics, such as procuring materials and securing approvals from management on a timely basis;
- Recruit participants, administer surveys, and ensure all data quality protocols are followed during data collection;
- Write detailed field updates and reports;
- Maintain regular communication with faculty to provide updates on the progress of data collection and troubleshoot problems

Qualifications:

- Ideally, the candidate would be a current or prospective PhD student. At minimum, the candidate should have a bachelor's degree in political science, economics, statistics, social sciences, public administration, or related fields;
- Prefer candidates with strong interest in the research topic or experience doing research with minority communities in France;
- Field management experience overseeing research projects in France or other settings is essential, especially prior experience collecting in-person survey data;
- Basic understanding of research methodologies;
- Data collection experience on tablets/smartphones using Qualtrics/SurveyCTO/Kobo/ODK Collect or other applications;
- Excellent communication and writing skills in French and English;
- A flexible, self-motivating team player;
- Ability to complete tasks on tight deadlines;
- Strong understanding of research ethics;
- Prior experience with Stata or R preferred

If you are interested and qualify, please send a cover letter and CV to faculty via email to aala.abdelgadir@pitt.edu and vfouka@stanford.edu with the subject line: “RA Application Public Religious Behavior in France”.