

Job Opening: Research Officer at the University of St Gallen

Prof. Bruno Caprettini of the University of St Gallen is looking for one Research Officer. The position is for one year, ideally starting in September 2023. Current and past research topics include the Industrial Revolution, the Italian land reform, the New Deal, and the impact of new technologies on the labor market.

The position is well-suited for BA or Master's program graduates who wish to gain first-hand experience in research before entering a PhD program. Some of my former ROs have gone on to join doctoral programs at UZH and LSE (Econ). I am particularly interested in people with a strong quantitative background, experience in computer programming, web scraping, document digitization and/or the use of geographical data for quantitative analysis. I also offer ample opportunities to acquire these skills on the job. Curiosity, motivation and energy matter as much as initiative and attention to detail.

Requirements for RO position

- University degree in a relevant discipline (economics, computer science, engineering, mathematics, physics)
- Postgraduate qualifications (MA/MSc/MPhil) or a BA with an outstanding record
- Excellent research and analytical skills
- Good knowledge of STATA, ARC-GIS, Python, R, GPT-3.5-turbo preferred
- Enthusiasm and interest in economic history and economic growth.

The offer:

- Interesting and intellectually challenging work
- On-the-job training of research skills
- Competitive salary
- Travel opportunities
- Flexible starting date (ideally: 1st September 2023)

Applications including a CV, a cover letter, and names of two referees should be sent to: Bruno Caprettini (bruno.caprettini@gmail.com) and should read "Application to RO position" in the object.

For further information about my research and the Department of Economics please visit [my website](#) and [HSG Economics Department website](#).