

### **Postdoctoral Fellowship Job Description**

The Sol Price Center for Social Innovation is accepting applications for a postdoctoral fellowship focused broadly on issues of [housing stability](#). The fellowship allows scholars to contribute to the literature in housing policy broadly, sharpen their analytical skills, and advance their research agendas in the field through formal and informal training and extensive collaboration with distinguished researchers.

The postdoctoral scholar will support research on a wide range of topics relevant to housing stability, including: rental assistance programs, eviction defense programs, the impacts of rent burden on low-income households, and homelessness broadly. This position will also have significant involvement with the [Homelessness Policy Research Institute](#).

The applicant should have strong empirical skills and training in program evaluation. We are looking for scholars with training in either quantitative or qualitative methods from relevant disciplines such as economics, public policy, health policy, statistics, sociology, or psychology; strong oral and written communications skills; the ability to work as part of a team and to meet deadlines.

The USC Price Center for Social Innovation develops ideas and illuminates strategies to improve the quality of life for people in low-income urban communities. Housed in the USC Price School of Public Policy, the Price Center examines new processes and models to deliver social impact, with a particular focus on housing and homelessness, educational attainment, and reentry for justice-involved individuals. Situated in the Sol Price School of Public Policy, the mission of the school is to improve the quality of life for people and their communities, here and abroad. We achieve this mission through education and research that promote innovative solutions to the most critical issues facing society.

The mission of the Sol Price School of Public Policy is to improve the quality of life for people and their communities, here and abroad. We achieve this mission through education and research that promote innovative solutions to the most critical issues facing society, with a particular focus on governance, urban development, and social policy. The Price School offers Ph.D. programs in Public Policy and Management and in Urban Planning and Development; masters' degrees in Public Administration, Public Policy, Nonprofit Leadership and Management, Urban Planning, Health Administration, and Real Estate Development; executive masters' degrees; and an interdisciplinary undergraduate degree.

USC is one of the world's premiere research universities, and the Price School is a major contributor to the university's reputation. Our school supports an array of thematic research centers with \$41 million in active sponsored research, ranking third overall in funded research at USC on a per faculty basis. Much of the school's research is conducted through its centers, institutes, and research groups. Among them are the Bedrosian Center on Governance, Center on Philanthropy and Public Policy, Price Center for Social Innovation, Schwarzenegger Institute for State and Global Policy, Center for Economic Development, Center for Sustainable Cities, National Center for Metropolitan Transportation Research, Lusk Center for Real Estate, Schaeffer Center for Health Policy and Economics, and the Center for Risk and Economic Analysis of Terrorism Events (CREATE), the country's first Homeland Security Center of Excellence.

For additional information, see our website: [www.usc.edu/schools/price/](http://www.usc.edu/schools/price/)

The fellowship provides a competitive stipend and other benefits for a 12-month fixed term which may be renewed up to a maximum of two years.

Diversity, equity, and inclusion are integral to our university and school's commitment to excellence in research, engagement, and education. We encourage applications from candidates who identify with groups that are historically underrepresented in the academy to apply. Further, we encourage all applicants, as a component of their application package to discuss their experience or commitment to engaging with diversity through activities such as fostering an inclusive environment, working with students from diverse backgrounds, or incorporating diverse perspectives.

**Preferred Education:** Must have completed a Ph.D. in a relevant discipline and may be new scholars or individuals with some research experience.

**Preferred Field of Expertise:** Publications in peer-reviewed journals in the same or related field.

**Interested candidates should send their CV and cover letter to Caroline Bhalla, Managing Director, at [cbhalla@usc.edu](mailto:cbhalla@usc.edu). Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until position is filled.**