



## **Research Associate/Analyst**

The Justice Research and Statistics Association ([www.jrsa.org](http://www.jrsa.org)) is seeking an applied researcher/social scientist with experience in criminal justice and crime victim issues for a Research Associate or Analyst position in our Washington, DC, office. This position will be responsible for leading and/or contributing to applied research, evaluation, and/or training and technical assistance initiatives under the supervision of JRSA's Research Director. Work may be conducted independently or cooperatively with a team, depending on project and task assignments.

The successful applicant will work primarily with our Center for Victim Research project, helping state and local level researchers and practitioners understand, access, and better use data and research findings to inform victim-related work; developing training to help bridge the gap between research and practice; identifying and summarizing existing research on current issues in victimology; and similar tasks. Work for the Center for Victim Research will be under the direction of the Project Director. In addition, this position will support a variety of other JRSA projects as data analysis, training and technical assistance planning and delivery, and information dissemination needs arise.

## **About JRSA**

JRSA is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to the use of nonpartisan research and analysis to inform criminal and juvenile justice decision making. JRSA is comprised of a network of researchers and practitioners throughout government, academia, and the justice community. JRSA is primarily funded by federal awards. JRSA's annual revenue has been between \$1.5-\$2.0 million but is expected to grow in the years to come.

## **Duties and Responsibilities of the Research Associate or Analyst**

This Research Associate/Analyst position will have the following duties and responsibilities:

- Conducting literature reviews.
- Creating and/or implementing research designs.
- Assessing programs and data collection/reporting systems, particularly in the victim service community.
- Collecting, analyzing and interpreting data.
- Developing data displays and infographics.
- Writing research and practitioner-facing reports, articles, and technical materials.
- Presenting project findings.
- Planning and delivering training and technical assistance.
- Representing JRSA at meetings.
- Other duties as assigned.

This is an ideal opportunity for self-starters with experience in the criminal justice and victim services arenas, and a passion for bridging the researcher-practitioner divide by working directly with state and local policymakers, direct service providers, and other stakeholders to translate research into practice.

## **Professional Experience**

- Applicants at the Research Analyst level should have a Ph.D. in criminal justice or related field OR a master's degree in criminal justice or related field with at least 3 years of post-education experience conducting criminal justice research and evaluation studies and/or training and technical assistance.



- Applicants at the Research Associate level should have a Ph.D. in criminal justice or related field and at least 3 years of post-graduation experience conducting criminal justice research and evaluation studies and/or training and technical assistance OR a master's degree in criminal justice or related field with at least 5 years of post-education experience conducting criminal justice research and evaluation studies and/or training and technical assistance.

#### **Additional Requirements and Preferences**

- Knowledge of crime victim services issues and criminal justice system operations and data sources.
- Ability to apply research design, statistical analysis, qualitative analysis, and program evaluation methods.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Knowledge of and experience working with data from the National Crime Victim Survey (NCVS) and the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey (NISVS) is highly desired.
- Additional subject matter expertise in two or more of the following areas also desired: human trafficking; specific areas of victimization, by crime or population; juvenile justice; policing; courts; corrections; and related areas.
- Other desired skills include: partnership management, grant proposal development, and meeting/event planning

#### **How to Apply**

Email cover letter, resume/vita, two writing samples (one academic, one practitioner-facing) and names with contact information for three references to [resumes@jrsa.org](mailto:resumes@jrsa.org). No phone calls please.

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