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# Postdoctoral Researcher

INSEAD Humanitarian Research Group || Technology and Operations Management area

## The INSEAD Humanitarian Research Group

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- Disaster Preparedness & Response
- Access & Equity in Healthcare
- Public-Private Partnerships
- Asset Management & Deployment
- Environment & Waste

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## Role description

As a postdoctoral researcher, you will join the Humanitarian Research Group and INSEAD's Technology and Operations Management Area.

Your role will be threefold. First, you will be responsible for a few (usually 2-3) research projects with humanitarian organizations and apply for/develop new research projects. This involves project management, supervising research staff working on them, maintaining relationships with humanitarian organizations involved, scanning calls for proposals, and writing proposals/research plans. Second, you will help turn our projects into high quality case studies and academic papers. Third, you will be responsible for the daily management of HRG. This involves project/personnel planning, contracting, organizing group meetings/group events, updating the website, dealing with contacts and potential sponsors, representing the group at workshops and conferences, and generally helping monitor on-going disasters and crises throughout the world.

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## Requirements

- PhD in operations management, supply chain management, logistics, operations research, econometrics, industrial engineering or a similar degree preferred
- Proven capability to publish in top-tier academic journals
- Prior research on humanitarian operations is a plus
- Prior collaboration with humanitarian organizations is a plus
- Fluency in written and oral English
- Profound knowledge of quantitative modelling and optimization techniques
- Knowledge of qualitative research techniques is a plus
- Excellent organizational, supervision, and oral/written communication skills
- Excellent work ethic

## Preferred Start Date

Between July 2019 and September 2019.

## Conditions

One-year contract. Renewable.

## About INSEAD

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## Applications

Please send your CV (detailing academic outputs/achieving) and a cover letter describing your interest in this position to [harwin.devries@insead.edu](mailto:harwin.devries@insead.edu). Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled.



# Research Intern – Humanitarian Logistics

## Description

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As a research intern, you will participate in research and consulting projects on real and urgent challenges in the humanitarian sector. In small research teams, you will closely cooperate with humanitarian organizations to analyse their problems, gather data, perform the analyses, and present and/or implement results.

The internship provides a unique opportunity to work with a team of passionate experts at one of the most renowned business schools in the world, to start a career in the humanitarian aid sector, and/or to pursue a career in academics or consulting.

## Requirements

- Bachelor degree in operations research, econometrics, operations management, supply chain management, or industrial engineering preferred.
- Fluency in written and oral English.
- Excellent analytical skills.
- Knowledge of an analytics software package like Matlab or R is preferred.
- Knowledge of qualitative research techniques is a plus.
- Ability to work independently and in small teams.
- Excellent work ethic.
- Excellent organizational and oral/written communication skills.

## Preferred Start Date

Between February 2019 and June 2019.



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## Conditions

The appointment is for six months. During the internship, we allow you to work on a MSc thesis about one or multiple projects you work on. Possibilities to be promoted to research associate (RA) upon completion of the internship exist, conditional on a positive evaluation. During the internship, you will receive a monthly fee of approximately 800 euros.

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# Research Associate – Humanitarian Logistics

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## Role description

As a research associate, you will participate in research and consulting projects on real and urgent challenges in the humanitarian sector. In small research teams, you will closely cooperate with humanitarian organizations to analyse their problems, gather data, perform the analyses, and present and/or implement results. Projects may offer the opportunity of doing field trips to do research “on the ground”.

The position provides a unique opportunity to work with a team of passionate experts at one of the most renowned business schools in the world, to start a career in the humanitarian aid sector, and/or to pursue a career in academics or consulting.

## Requirements

- Master degree in operations management, supply chain management, logistics, operations research, econometrics, industrial engineering or a similar degree preferred
- Fluency in written and oral English
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- Knowledge of an analytics software package like Matlab or R is preferred



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- Knowledge of qualitative research techniques is a plus
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