

Postdoctoral Researcher Position at the University of Chicago

Postdoctoral Scholar in American Politics

Location: The University of Chicago's campus in Chicago, IL, USA

Department: Department of Political Science, University of Chicago

Employment type: Postdoctoral, full-time (40 hours/week)

Duration: This position is planned to be 12 months, from August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026, though we have some flexibility on the timing. Please indicate your availability in your cover letter. Reappointment is possible dependent on satisfactory performance, the availability of funding, and the candidate's continuing eligibility for postdoctoral training. The total duration of an individual's postdoctoral experience may not exceed seven years, including postdoctoral work at other institutions.

Application deadline: Applications are strongly preferred by March 31, 2025, though the position will remain open until filled or the search is closed.

Responsibilities and expected outputs:

- The Postdoctoral Researcher will collaborate with Professor Jon Rogowski on research related to American political institutions.
- You will have time to carry out your own research projects.
- You will be encouraged to participate in the intellectual life of the Department of Political Science, and the University of Chicago more broadly, by attending the weekly American politics workshops, hosting public conversations, etc.
- The Postdoctoral Researcher must be based at the University of Chicago's main campus in Chicago, IL.

Skills and qualifications:

- Ph.D. in political science (preferred), economics, or adjacent disciplines
- Strong skills in quantitative methods, data analysis, project management, and written communication

What we offer:

- 12-month employment at the Department of Political Science at the University of Chicago
- \$75,000/year salary
- This position is benefits-eligible, and information regarding benefits can be found [here](#).
- Flexible working arrangements

Application instructions:

Your application package should include:

- A 1-3 page cover letter explaining your research interests and experience, and how you would expect to advance your research agenda during the fellowship year
- An up-to-date CV
- Two academic writing samples (e.g., chapter of doctoral thesis, articles, working papers)

- Two letters of recommendation submitted by the letter authors to the email address below

Please send your application electronically, in PDF format (either as one single file or as separate PDFs) to americanpolitics@uchicago.edu. Inquiries about the position and project can be addressed here as well.

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Interviews with shortlisted candidates: April 1-30, 2025.

Starting date of position: August 1, 2025 (with some flexibility).

Equal Employment Opportunity statement:

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