

University of Chicago <u>Griffin Applied Economics Incubator</u> Call for Proposals AI at Work: Fellowship for Economic Research

Join a global community of scholars exploring how AI is transforming the workplace — and help shape a more innovative, equitable, and resilient future of work.

We invite outstanding scholars to join us in advancing groundbreaking research on **AI** in the workplace — from understanding how intelligent technologies reshape jobs, skills, and wages to designing strategies that ensure innovation drives inclusive and sustainable economic growth. As a fellow, you will spend one academic quarter, Spring 2026, on the Hyde Park campus at UChicago developing a research program focused on experimentally evaluating the impact of AI on the workforce in firms, non-profits, educational institutions, and governments. You will contribute to our intellectual community by participating in a workshop with campus faculty and other fellows, presenting in a seminar series, and co-organizing a conference connected to your research. This conference will include academics and practitioners from the public and private sector and serve as launching pad for new research partnerships.

This fellowship offers a unique platform to widen the global network of scholars in this critical field, with housing and living expenses provided, up to \$25,000 in research funds, and an honorarium to offset your time away from your home institution.

Fellowship Highlights

- When: Spring 2026
- **Research Focus**: The economic and organizational impacts of AI in the workplace, including implications for productivity, wages, inequality, and workforce development.
- **Community Engagement**: Design and lead a short-term workshop, seminar sequence, or topical conference to foster collaboration and knowledge exchange.
- Funding & Support:
 - o Housing and living expenses for one academic quarter, Spring 2026.
 - o Up to \$25,000 in research funds.
 - o Additional funding available in the form of honorarium to offset time away from home institution and teaching commitments.
- **Deadline:** November 30, 2025

Who Should Apply

We welcome applications from economists whose work advances understanding of AI's role in shaping the future of work. Interdisciplinary approaches and early-career applicants are encouraged.

Submit proposal **HERE**