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The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL)

Summer Data Challenge

Application for the Summer 2022 Data Challenge

DOL's Chief Evaluation Office (CEO) has contracted with Manhattan Strategy Group to oversee the 2022 Summer Data Challenge on Equity and Underserved Communities, that starts in June 2022. Complete applications must be submitted to **datachallenge@manhattanstrategy.com** by the deadline.

> *DEADLINE:* **12:00 P.M. (EDT), APRIL 11, 2022**

Late or incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Decisions are expected by May 20, 2022.

To apply, complete and save this PDF application. Submit the application with a **single Microsoft Word document** that is saved as "**ProjectName-Organization.docx**" or "**ProjectName-IndividualScholarName.docx**" and that contains the following information:

- A technical proposal (of no more than 2,000 words, inclusive of references, tables, and figures)

- A curriculum vitae of all researchers on the team

- One letter of commitment from the applicant

A copy of your institution's federally negotiated indirect rate agreement (if available) may be attached as a separate PDF.

For details on these submissions, please see **https://manhattanstrategy.com/2022-summer-data-challenge**

SUMMER DATA CHALLENGE
Application

PART I: BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. Applicant Information

Name (First and Last)	
Organization (Optional)	
Mailing Address (for receiving program-related materials if project is funded)	
Phone	
Email	

2. Additional Information

How you heard about this opportunity? (check all that apply)

- ☐ From Department Chair
- ☐ From Colleague
- ☐ On Job Board or Advertisement
- ☐ From Previous DOL Scholar
- ☐ Other (please specify below):

Have you applied for research funding from DOL CEO before?	If Yes, please provide detail:	No
Will you be applying for additional funding to support your project?	If Yes, please provide detail:	No
Does your proposal build on other work of yours (either completed or ongoing)?	If Yes, please provide detail:	No

3. Project Information

Please provide the following information

Project Title	
Research Topic/Focus	
Proposed Data Sets to be Used	

Does your project focus on one of the priority areas? Please check any that apply.

☐ Public policy responses to the COVID-19 pandemic and accompanying economic downturn, including the effects of those policy responses on vulnerable or marginalized workers, such as women of color

☐ Understanding how policies and programs may shape opportunities for worker organizing and collective bargaining, especially for workers who have lacked access to labor representation in the past

☐ Understanding labor market competition and power, their intersection with working conditions, and how policies and programs can shape those relationships

☐ The impact of workplace technologies on workers and working conditions—including how automated technologies may be used for screening and hiring job candidates, assessing workers' productivity, and managing workers—and their intersection with labor protections and policies

PART II: COST PROPOSAL

1. Project Budget

Please provide a copy of the federally negotiated indirect rate agreement if available.

Labor Costs

Task Description	Loaded Hourly Rate	Hours	Labor Costs
Total Labor Costs:			

Other Direct Costs (ODCs)

ODC Explanation	ODCs
Total ODCs:	

Indirect Costs

Indirect Costs Explanation	IDCs
Total Indirect Costs:	

Total Costs = $30,000

Total Cost:	

Justification

Please provide a brief narrative justifying the budget proposed above:

PART III: ABSTRACT

Please provide a brief (i.e., no more than 250 words) summary of your proposal.

PART IV: SAMPLE LETTER OF COMMITMENT

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(Applicant Name)

(Applicant Street)

(Applicant City, State ZIP)

(Date)

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Attn: Marilia Mochel, Associate Director

SUBJECT: Letter of Commitment for Summer 2022 Data Challenge on Equity and Underserved Communities

Dear Ms. Mochel:

(Insert one paragraph that briefly describes the original research that you will conduct and your capability to complete the research and produce both a working paper and a public-use data file in the timeframe allowed.)

I am ready, willing, and able to partner with Manhattan Strategy Group (MSG) as a subcontractor on MSG's contract with the Chief Evaluation Office at the U.S. Department of Labor. As well, I certify that all of the information in this DOL Summer Data Challenge Program Application form and all other submitted documents is truthful and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Sincerely,

(Applicant Signature)

(Applicant Name)