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Health, Retirement, and Long-Term Analysis Division

The Congressional Budget Office (CBO), the nonpartisan agency that provides budgetary and economic analysis to the U.S. Congress, is seeking an economist with special expertise in issues relating to Social Security for a position in the Long-Term Analysis Unit (LTAU) of the Health, Retirement, and Long-Term Analysis Division. The unit provides the Congress with analyses in the areas of retirement, disability, and health policy and leads CBO's long-term modeling initiatives. CBO's studies and reports reflect the best current thinking on complex budgetary and economic questions, with analyses that are nonpartisan, objective, and conducted with methodological rigor. Recently, LTAU analysts have developed a state-of-the-art method for projecting individual earnings, assessed policy options for the Social Security Disability Insurance program, and analyzed the long-term outlook for the federal budget, which is a regular and ongoing component of the unit's work.

The successful candidate will contribute to the full range of LTAU's responsibilities, which include preparing CBO reports and testimonies, performing detailed analyses of proposed legislation, and constructing and improving models that underlie CBO's policy analyses.

Qualifications

Applicants must have a background in labor economics, with a particular focus on Social Security, disability programs, and retirement programs. Applicants with a PhD in economics or a closely related discipline will be preferred; those with a Master's degree in economics and equivalent experience will also be considered. Strong writing skills and an interest in working on issues of current legislative concern to the Congress are critical.

Salary and Benefits

Salary is competitive and will be commensurate with experience, education, and other qualifications. CBO offers excellent benefits and an appealing work environment.

How to Apply

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