Associate, Strategy & Operations
New York (Remote Initially) // Full Time

Overview
The Jain Family Institute (JFI) is seeking an Associate, Strategy & Operations to assist with the management of ongoing and upcoming projects. Among the Associate’s key responsibilities will be researching a wide range of potential new JFI project areas, as directed by the CEO, COO and the Board, and offering well-supported analyses and recommendations. This hire will report directly to the CEO.

JFI Strategy supervises projects across our four primary areas of work (guaranteed income, digital ethics, social wealth, and higher education finance), offering direction to our research teams and engaging outside partners to amplify or support our work as needed. It engages in regular dialogue with like-minded organizations and trusted advisors to develop new ideas for future work. And it facilitates internal collaboration, drawing support from PR/Communications, fellows and members of the research team to plan and execute major projects.

JFI Operations looks after human resources (including diversity and inclusion), budget & payroll, professional services (legal, accounting, IT, etc.), facilities, and services. It also manages organizational culture, including regular staff meetings, social events, and retreats.

The Associate should anticipate devoting most of their time to Strategy, assisting with Operations on an as-needed basis.

The full-time position includes full benefits and a competitive salary.

How To Apply
If you are interested, please send the following application materials to applications-2021@jainfamilyinstitute.org in one PDF file:

1. Resume with contact information
2. Letter of interest describing your fit for the role

Please submit these materials at your earliest convenience. We have a priority deadline of August 16th but will be considering applications on a rolling basis and as needed thereafter.
Responsibilities

- Support CEO in coordinating ongoing projects across all pillars of JFI’s work
- Support CEO and COO in researching new initiatives and assessing potential collaborations / partnerships
- Design and develop presentations and speaking points for internal and external audiences, including agendas and materials for fundraising, client or partner meetings
- Facilitate collaboration between Project Leads and PR/Comms in support of broader strategic objectives
- Support various Operations Team responsibilities as needed such as organizing regular staff meetings

Required Skills & Qualifications

Required:

- 3+ years experience
- BA or more advanced degree
- Ability to conduct independent research on new areas of opportunities and provide informed feedback to COO & CEO
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills, with the ability to distill and convey information in a compelling manner and to recognize the “big picture”
- Strong organizational abilities, with particular experience preparing pitch decks and spreadsheets
- Proven ability to track, prioritize and drive multiple projects simultaneously

Preferred:

- Broad familiarity with JFI’s areas of focus, and with the norms and major institutions of philanthropy, policy and social science research
- Entrepreneurial disposition, with a tolerance for ambiguity and complexity, a bias for action and the ability to anticipate the needs of JFI leadership
Benefits

- Compensation will be commensurate with experience
- Full benefits, including healthcare, dental, and vision, NYC Metro area transit costs covered 100% by employer, 401(k) with company matching, unlimited PTO, and more!

Commitment

- Full-time
- Beginning in September, JFI anticipates returning to the office three days per week.
- You must be located in the New York City area or willing to relocate when it is safe to do so.

About JFI

JFI is an applied research organization in the social sciences. We work to bring just and equitable research and policy from conception in theory to implementation in society. Our current initiatives include applied research in higher education finance, guaranteed income, and digital ethics.

JFI is firmly committed to the principle of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO). We believe that the quality of our work and research is immensely strengthened by the diversity of our network and our differences in background, culture, experience, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, disability, and more. We actively seek and welcome applicants who identify as BIPOC, women, members of the LGBTQIA community, persons with disabilities, and people at the intersections and peripheries of these identities, from across the spectrum of disciplines and methods. For details about our staff and current projects, see http://www.jainfamilyinstitute.org.