

**Title**

PhD International/Defense Economist

**Overview of RAND**

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**Position Description**

RAND is looking for an economist with training or experience relevant to the application of economic theory and empirics to national security research questions in international or cross-country settings. Successful applicants will have conducted empirically-grounded analysis of country macroeconomic and financial policy, trade, foreign investment issues, infrastructure investment, and budgeting. Defense policy or national security experience is preferred.

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**Qualifications**

All research positions at RAND require excellent analytic skills, the ability to communicate clearly and effectively in English, both orally and in writing; the ability to work effectively as a member of a multi-disciplinary team; and a strong commitment to RAND's core values of quality and objectivity.

In addition, senior research positions require the ability to mentor and develop junior staff members, lead and direct multi-disciplinary teams, set project standards and monitor progress, and communicate interim and final results to the RAND community and to policy-making audiences.

**Education Requirements**

- PhD in economics or PhD in a policy or business program with an equivalent curriculum in economic theory and econometrics
- Demonstrated research skills and a strong interest in empirical analyses related to public policy

**Specializations of Interest**

- International
- Economics of national security
- Law and economics
- Development

**Experience**

Applicants with at least 5-7 years of experience in an academic or non-academic research setting preferred.

**Security Clearance**

U.S. Citizenship is required to obtain a security clearance. Preference given to an existing, transferable clearance.

**Location**

Preference for RAND's Santa Monica, CA, Boston, MA, and Pittsburgh, PA offices, although the Arlington, VA office may also be considered.

**Special Note**

For any questions regarding this opportunity, please contact:

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