

# Research Associate

## Position Summary

IPA Philippines started in 2003 and is one of IPA's first country offices. In the Philippines, IPA has strong partnerships and diverse projects in collaboration with government agencies, NGOs, international organizations, academic institutions, and other partners.

IPA Philippines is looking to hire a Research Associate to work on the pilot study of an agriculture project in Butuan, looking at the impact of market linkage and capacity building on improving vegetable farmers' agricultural practices, income and well-being. The position holder will be responsible for the overall leadership and direction of the project on-ground.

While the position is based in Manila, candidates who are based in or willing to relocate to Butuan are highly encouraged to apply.

## Responsibilities

- Actively liaise and communicate with the implementation partner and Principal Investigators (PIs) to ensure smooth project delivery.
- Design and pilot test survey instruments, qualitative interview guides, and data collection strategies, in collaboration with PIs and partners.
- Program survey instruments in SurveyCTO, following programming best practices.
- Hire, train and manage field data collection teams, including enumerators, field coordinators and field manager.
- Accompany the field teams during quantitative and qualitative data collection activities, to ensure compliance with research protocols and troubleshoot challenges. Expect to spend at least 50% of time in the study sites during data collection periods.
- Conduct data quality checks on a daily basis, communicate data quality issues with the field team, make sure necessary actions are taken to address these issues on a timely

manner.

- Clean data on an ongoing basis.
- Conduct data analysis and produce dissemination materials such as presentations, final reports, evidence briefs.
- Regularly communicate project updates to supervisor.

## Qualifications

### Required

- Bachelor's degree in economics, public policy, social science, or a related field
- 2-5 years of relevant work experience, including experience in economics research, impact evaluations, international development
- Advanced Stata competency
- Experience with quantitative AND qualitative data collection and analysis
- Experience managing field data collection
- Strong professional writing skills
- Strong client-facing and presentation skills
- Fluency in English
- Self-starter, entrepreneurial mindset, versatility, and ability to learn at a fast pace
- Passion for making data-driven decisions a reality in the international development sector

## Preferred

- Master's degree in economics, public policy, social science, or a related field
- Experience living and working in the Philippines
- Fluency in Filipino
- Knowledge in a randomized controlled trial

## Reports to

Senior Research Manager

## Deadline to Apply

July 19th, 2024

## Position Type / Commitment

Contract - 1 year

## Compensation

IPA's compensation structure is designed based on the labor market for the specific geographic location where the employee is located. We are offering the following salary ranges for this position:

- Research Associate is classified as C1 on IPA's global job structure.
  - The starting monthly gross salary is Php 63,699 with a maximum of Php 75,000
- Actual base salary may vary based upon, but not limited to, relevant experience, base salary of internal peers, business sector, and geographic location.

## Location

Phillippines

## Application Instructions

[Click here to apply now.](#)

## About IPA

Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA) is a research and policy nonprofit that discovers and promotes effective solutions to global poverty problems. IPA brings together researchers and decision-makers to design, rigorously evaluate, and refine these solutions and their applications, ensuring that the evidence created is used to improve the lives of the world's poor. In recent decades, trillions of dollars have been spent on programs designed to reduce global poverty, but clear evidence of which programs succeed is rare, and when evidence does exist, decision-makers often do not know about it. IPA exists to bring together leading researchers and these decision-makers to ensure that the evidence we create leads to a tangible impact on the world. Since its founding in 2002, IPA has worked with over 600 leading academics to conduct over 900 evaluations in 52 countries. This research has informed hundreds of successful programs that now impact millions of individuals worldwide.

## Safeguarding at IPA

At Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA), we are committed to creating a safe and respectful environment for all individuals, particularly children and vulnerable adults. As IPA adheres to strict safeguarding principles, selected candidates will be expected to adhere to these standards. By joining IPA, you become part of a team dedicated to ethical conduct, social responsibility, and meaningful impact in the fight against global poverty. Together, we work to create a better world where everyone has the opportunity to thrive with dignity and respect.

## IPA's Commitment to Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI)

As an organization, IPA is dedicated to improving the lives of the world's most vulnerable populations through evidence and policy. We also recognize how important it is for our staff to reflect the diversity of the places where we work and the communities we work with. As such, IPA is committed to hiring from a diverse pool of candidates, from a range of backgrounds, beliefs, experiences, and perspectives. We know that this makes our work stronger and more responsive to the challenges faced by those we work with and for and we encourage people from historically underrepresented groups to apply. Click [here](#) to learn more about IPA's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion.

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Innovations for Poverty Action is an affirmative action-equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, protected veteran status, or any other protected class. IPA will endeavor to make a reasonable accommodation to a qualified applicant with a disability unless the accommodation would impose an undue hardship on the operation of our business. If you believe you require such assistance to complete this form or to participate in

an interview, please contact us at [jobs@poverty-action.org](mailto:jobs@poverty-action.org) or via phone at 1-202-386-6200. The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of the work to be performed by the specified position. The statements are not intended to be an exhaustive list of all possible duties, tasks, and responsibilities. Management reserves the right to amend and change responsibilities to meet organizational needs as necessary. Please note that IPA will never request any form of payment from an applicant. Applicants are encouraged to confirm the information listed above with IPA prior to releasing any extensive personal information to the organization. Please direct questions to [jobs@poverty-action.org](mailto:jobs@poverty-action.org). Please note that only qualified applicants will be contacted by the hiring manager.