

## Midwest Policy Analyst

National Employment Law Project (NELP) seeks a policy analyst to work in NELP's Ann Arbor, Michigan office. This analyst will work with NELP's team of advocates seeking to promote reform of the key programs serving workers and communities hard hit by auto dislocations and the recession, including unemployment insurance, trade adjustment assistance and state "rapid response" activities. The position will focus on federal and state policies directly impacting Midwest states, while also providing opportunities to work nationally. NELP is a non-profit research and advocacy organization based in New York City which partners with local communities to secure the promise of economic opportunity for today's workers and their families. ([www.nelp.org](http://www.nelp.org))

### Responsibilities

- Work with NELP's Economic Adjustment Initiative and Unemployment Insurance teams on policy reforms involving unemployment insurance, trade adjustment assistance and state "rapid response" activities.
- Conduct statistical analysis of government data and labor market information, including fiscal and tax analysis of state unemployment insurance (UI) programs and performance data from UI and workforce programs. Analyze labor market trends to inform policy agendas in the Midwest and nationally.
- Write original research reports, policy papers and fact sheets combining empirical work, synthesis of existing economic and policy research, and analysis of workforce laws and policies.
- Craft effective policy responses to address the impact of auto industry dislocations on workers and their communities.
- Support advocacy initiatives by providing technical assistance to advocates and policy makers.
- Strengthen the Midwest office's communications presence through publications, web and on-line initiatives and media relations.

### Qualifications

- Advanced degree in public policy analysis or a related social science field with coursework completed in economics, statistics and preferably public finance.
- 4+ years experience in public policy advocacy or research, preferably in workforce programs and/or government benefits. Project leadership experience a plus.
- Demonstrated commitment to economic justice.
- Excellent writing and communications skills.

This position is based in NELP's Ann Arbor, Michigan office which opened in 2000 and is the focus for NELP's four person Midwest staff. NELP encourages applicants from across the country to consider relocating to Ann Arbor, the culturally rich and dynamic hometown of the University of Michigan ([www.annarbor.com](http://www.annarbor.com)). To apply send a resume, writing sample and cover letter to [rmchugh@nelp.org](mailto:rmchugh@nelp.org) with the words ANN ARBOR POLICY ANALYST in the subject line. To learn more about NELP visit [www.nelp.org](http://www.nelp.org)

Salary is competitive and depends on experience. The position comes with full benefits as defined in NELP's collective bargaining agreement. Women, people of color, and members of the LGBT community are encouraged to apply.

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