



Economist positions

Thrive





Job Description

Job Title – Senior Economist and Economist positions

Location – 69 – 75 High Street, Holywood, BT18 9AE

Type – Hybrid (Belfast) or Remote

Reporting to – Head of Economics

Start date – As soon as possible

Application deadline – Monday 28th September

How to apply – Please send a cover letter (1 side of A4 maximum) with your CV to: jobs@thrive-platform.com

About Us

Thrive is offering an opportunity to join a small, dynamic and growing team that is focused on helping businesses make a bigger impact on our sustainable future.

The market for sustainability and social value technology solutions that help large organisations improve their transition to a more sustainable future is now experiencing strong growth. Thrive is an established niche player in this space with an excellent customer base but is now poised for further significant growth due to emerging market opportunities and a product suite which can make a real impact on the future of sustainability reporting.

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The Economics Team at Thrive works at the cutting-edge of welfare economics, social value measurement, cost-benefit analysis (CBA) and econometrics. We are seeking an Economists at various levels to join our dynamic team.

As an Economist, you will be at the forefront of designing and applying innovative methods to quantify social impact. You'll work across sectors and countries translating



outcomes into rigorous, meaningful economic evidence that informs real policy and investment decisions. You will work with leading globally-renowned experts in this sector.

In this role you will

- Conduct applied research on the valuation of non-market goods and outcomes such as pollution, education, crime and health (including primary research and survey design). This includes methods such as contingent valuation, travel cost methods, wellbeing valuation and discrete choice experiments;
- Apply complex methods and approaches in welfare economics to real-world policy and investment decisions, covering for example distributional weighting;
- Conduct econometric studies using national level datasets;
- Develop and maintain technical features in the Thrive Software Platform. This includes collaborating with the product team, and other stakeholders to define requirements and scope; everyone has a voice.
- Conduct bespoke research for clients;
- Publish new and innovative research;
- Liaise with key Government and private sector organisations.
- Learn best-practices in terms of the application of welfare economics and econometrics to policy evaluation; we strive to be always learning and improving.
- Stay updated on industry trends and emerging economic methodologies, advocating for incorporating them into our tech solutions when appropriate.
- In the **Senior Economist** role, in addition to the above, you will also manage the economist team, lead and manage projects, liaise directly with clients, work on product and services development, and be responsible for quality assurance and deadlines of our work and projects.

What You'll Bring

- An excellent understanding of economics and econometrics (min. 2:1 undergraduate degree in economics, but a Masters degree is preferred).
- Proficiency in Stata, R and other programming platforms.
- Highly-skilled in Excel.
- Mission-driven with a desire to use economics to positively impact society.
- Strong problem-solving skills and attention to detail.
- Comfort in giving and receiving constructive feedback, fostering continuous improvement within the team.



- Effective organisational and time-management capabilities, adept at prioritising tasks, taking responsibility and meeting deadlines.
- Collaborative in nature and focused on prioritising team outcomes
- A fast learner and able to adapt with evolving needs of the role
- Able to bring a professional, respectful and approachable manner to the team
- For the Senior Economist role you will have at least 3 years of professional experience, including experience of managing teams and projects successfully

Nice to Haves

- Prior experience of working as an economist in policy areas (government or private sector consulting).
- Experience of designing surveys and primary data collection.
- Experience of delivering and analysing Discrete Choice Experiments.
- Some understanding of writing and optimizing SQL queries to extract, analyse, and manage data across relational databases.

Benefits

- Economist salary: between £32,000 – £35,000 per annum plus a competitive benefits package
- Senior Economist salary: between £55,000 – £70,000 per annum plus a competitive benefits package
- Company Bonus
- Monthly wellbeing voucher
- Private Healthcare Insurance
- Company Pension plan
- 25 days holiday leave plus bank holidays
- Innovative and challenging work at the forefront of economics in this area.
- Learning and development programme
- Opportunity for career growth and advancement
- Flexible work environment
- Collaborative and supportive company and team culture