



## U.S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS | PUBLISHING OFFICE

**T**he U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) is pleased to share a new opportunity for college students who are interested in publishing their research in a well-known and respected journal, the *Monthly Labor Review (MLR)*. Paper submissions are currently being accepted for the newly formed *Student MLR* department.

### What is the *Student MLR*?

The *Student MLR* pilot project will publish original research and analysis on a wide range of labor economics topics, including, but not limited to, employment and unemployment; compensation and working conditions; productivity and technology; occupational safety and health; industry, occupational, and employment projections; and prices and living conditions. The *Student MLR* department will broaden and diversify the scope of topics covered in the *MLR* and keep readers abreast of current research conducted by students from across the country.

### Who can submit papers to the *Student MLR*?

The *Student MLR* department will broaden and diversify topics covered in the *MLR* by publishing papers on topics written by up-and-coming economists and researchers—tomorrow’s decision makers and leaders. The topics covered will keep readers well informed on the issues of the day. Any currently enrolled student in an undergraduate or terminal master’s program or recent college graduate who completed the paper while enrolled.

### What are the submission requirements and other specifications?

- Papers are generally 5–10 pages, and can include
  - a description of emerging trends
  - an innovative research or new ways of looking at data
  - an interesting economic observation
  - a new method or methodology.
- Papers must be in “article” format (entire theses or short summaries or abstracts should be avoided).
- Author information must be provided, including
  - name
  - school, class, and type of student (masters or undergraduate)
  - email address
  - phone number.
- Articles must be submitted in Microsoft Word, if possible.
- The work must be original work and not published elsewhere.
- Students must receive approval from educational institution before submitting papers (professor or department head).
- Supplemental material is not necessary, unless the author or BLS thinks it is important.
- Data analysis is required (not unsubstantiated theory or conjecture).
- Submit papers to [StudentMLR@bls.gov](mailto:StudentMLR@bls.gov).

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