

ASSOCIATE 1

Nelson\Nygaard Consulting Associates is seeking a highly organized, independent, and motivated Associate 1 for its Downtown Los Angeles office to support the firm's practice in transit and multimodal planning. This is an outstanding opportunity for the right person to become involved in building Nelson\Nygaard's practice, which is focused on transit and multimodal transportation planning for livable communities. Nelson\Nygaard's work emphasizes creative and innovative transit and transportation planning and community involvement, often within a wider set of goals such as economic development and reduced dependence on the private automobile. A strong interest and some background in developing the transportation aspects of livable communities is therefore a must.

Responsibilities

Associate 1 responsibilities primarily focus on planning for transit operators and will likely include research, data collection, spreadsheet analysis, mapping, writing and editing reports, development of outreach materials, and potentially some minor business development tasks. Though most of the work will come from projects in California and the West Coast, there will be numerous opportunities for the candidate to contribute to Nelson\Nygaard projects across the United States. Candidates must be willing to travel and must have a valid driver's license.

Qualifications and Requirements

In preferential order, the ideal candidate would be someone who (1) holds a master's degree in planning or equivalent degree with a specialization in transportation planning or (2) has a bachelor's degree in a related field and 1 year of experience in transportation planning. Other relevant degrees include transportation engineering, transportation operations, urban/city/regional planning, urban design, and landscape architecture. Above all, we are looking for someone who has a **passion for sustainable transportation planning**, and is interested in making communities better for our clients and their constituents.

Potential candidates must demonstrate excellent skills in writing, data analysis, oral presentation and problem solving. The candidate must be able to demonstrate proficiency with Microsoft Excel, Word, and PowerPoint. Candidates should be able to demonstrate proficiency using ArcGIS for tasks such as analyzing census demographic information and displaying transit networks. The ideal candidate would also have experience using Adobe Illustrator in conjunction with outputs from ArcGIS to create visually appealing maps. Additional experience with graphics (InDesign, SketchUp), modeling (Synchro, TransCAD) or database analysis will be considered favorably. Potential candidates will be asked to complete a GIS skills assessment and demonstrate their writing and analytical skills. Candidates should be available to start in June 2016.

Salary and Benefits

Benefits include medical, dental, and vision insurance, carshare and bikeshare membership, pre-tax transit or bicycling benefit, a 401K program, life insurance, and paid time off. Other benefits of the position include a dynamic and self-directed work environment, collaboration with leading planners, and a congenial and supportive office culture. Applicants should include salary requirements in their inquiry.

To apply, please combine cover letter and resume into a single PDF with the filename format "Firstname Lastname_LA Associate.pdf" and upload below. No phone calls please.