

Policy Research Data Analyst

Reports To: Research & Documentation (ReDoc) Committee

Location: Whitechapel, London

Working Hours: Part Time (2 days/week)

Duration: 6 month contract (with potential for extension)

Salary: £19,200 p.a. (pro-rata)



1. Background

The Muslim Council of Britain (MCB) is the UK's largest and most diverse Muslim umbrella body with over 500 affiliated national, regional and local mosques, schools and charitable associations.

The MCB Research & Documentation Committee (ReDoc) is a network of community activists, academics and senior professionals that keeps track of research affecting Muslims in Britain, supports projects that can provide an evidence base for MCB's advocacy and representation work and represents the MCB on various academic and policy fora.

2. Role Purpose

To provide an update to MCB's 'British Muslims in Numbers' report (2015)¹ drawing on surveys and other empirical studies published after the availability of 2011 Census data.

3. The Role - Duties & Responsibilities

- Establishing an inventory of social statistics data sets which have ethnicity and/or faith as a classificatory characteristic (from Census 2011 output onwards)
- Carrying out appropriate statistical tests of significance to ascertain whether the Pakistani and Bangladeshi ethnic group characteristics are similar to the Muslim faith category e.g. using 2011 data where both ethnicity and faith data is provided; this is to assess whether the former are a good proxy for Muslims, where only ethnicity data is available
- Focus on recent research on deprivation/poverty in geographical areas with high BME and/or Muslim population (ReDoc network will identify experts who can provide support)
- Focus on population modelling to estimate Muslim population trends (the ReDoc network will identify experts who can provide support)
- Provide a first draft of a report that is an update to the 'British Muslims in Numbers' report²

4. The Person

- Strong data analysis and report writing skills
- Awareness of latest research on Muslims in Britain
- **Desirable:** GIS (Geographic Information System) experience
- **Desirable:** Flexible to work out of hours when required for meetings with volunteer-based teams

All offers will be subject to a reference check.

MCB is a flexible employer and alternative/flexible working hours can be discussed.

Application: For further information and to apply, please email your CV and Covering Letter to redcoffice@mcb.org.uk

Deadline to Apply: 14th December 2018 at 23.59

¹ <https://mcb.org.uk/report/british-muslims-in-numbers/> and follow-up briefings also on the MCB website

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