

Faculty/Department: Business, Economics, Social Sciences/ Socioeconomics
Seminar/Institute: Chair of Applied Macroeconomics

Universität Hamburg invites applications for a Research Associate (Postdoc) in accordance with Section 28 subsection 2 of the Hamburg higher education act (Hamburgisches Hochschulgesetz, HmbHG). The position commences on December 1st 2018.

It is remunerated at the salary level TV-L 13. Providing that a position is available and that requirements have been fulfilled, the associate may apply for temporary civil servant status in accordance with Section 28 subsection 2 HmbHG.

The position is full-time and comprises 39 hours per week (40 for civil servants).

The fixed-term nature of this contract is based upon Section 2 of the academic fixed-term labor contract act (Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz, WissZeitVG). The initial fixed term is three years. The contract provides for a maximum extension of up to three years depending on the associate's achievements during the first stage.

The University aims to increase the number of women in research and teaching and explicitly encourages women to apply. Equally qualified female applicants will receive preference in accordance with the Hamburg act on gender equality (Hamburgisches Gleichstellungsgesetz, HmbGleiG).

Responsibilities:

Duties include teaching and research in the respective department or institute. Research associates can also pursue independent research and further academic qualifications as well as acquire teaching experience. These duties are intended to promote academic achievement. Therefore, at least one-third of set working hours will be made available for the associate's own academic work.

Specific Duties:

We are looking for an excellent and highly motivated Junior Researcher interested in developing an academic or professional research career in the domains of applied macroeconometrics and business cycle forecasting. Publication projects should position themselves in the realm of (a) modern time-series econometrics or machine learning, (b) expectation formation in macro-economic models and (c) business cycle analysis and forecasting.

A short description of related current projects of the chair can be found at <https://www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/fachbereich-sozoek/professuren/fritsche/04-forschung/05-forschungsprojekte.html>. Within this framework, the Postdoc will be expected and encouraged to contribute to as well as influence the research agenda of the Chair. Furthermore, the Postdoc will be expected to teach courses in Macroeconomics and Applied Econometrics in German and English independently (5 weekly lecture hours per semester).

Requirements:

A university degree in a relevant subject plus doctorate.

Applicants should hold a doctorate/PhD in economics.

You should have a strong research interest, educational background, teaching and research experience in one or preferably more of the following sub-fields: Time-series Econometrics, Machine learning, Expectation formation in Macroeconomic models, Survey data in Macroeconomic research, Business Cycle Analysis, Forecasting.

Research articles in peer-reviewed journals should be published or submitted.

Candidates are expected to take initiative and responsibility in their career development. This includes shaping your research, designing plus participating in teaching and in international research projects as well as engaging in the academic community.

This position requires excellent research skills and analytical abilities, proficiency in English (both spoken and written) and German (spoken and written) and a proactive communication behavior.

Severely disabled applicants will receive preference over equally qualified non-disabled applicants.

For further information, please contact Ulrich.Fritsche@uni-hamburg.de or consult our website at <https://www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/fachbereich-sozoek/professuren/fritsche/01-ueber-uns.html>.

Applications should include a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and copies of degree certificate(s). The application deadline is October 12th 2018. Please send applications to: Claudia.Ranft@uni-hamburg.de.