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As a University of Excellence, Universität Hamburg is one of the strongest research universities in Germany. As a flagship university in the greater Hamburg region, it nurtures innovative, cooperative contacts to partners within and outside academia. It also provides and promotes sustainable education, knowledge, and knowledge exchange locally, nationally, and internationally.

Pending approval of external funding, the Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences's Department of Socioeconomics invites applications for a

RESEARCH ASSOCIATE FOR THE PROJECT “ACCESS – INSTITUTIONAL BARRIERS TO HIGHER EDUCATION”

- SALARY LEVEL 13 TV-L -

The position in accordance with Section 28 subsection 3 of the Hamburg higher education act (Hamburgisches Hochschulgesetz, HmbHG) commences at the earliest on March 1st, 2021

This is a fixed-term contract in accordance with Section 2 of the academic fixed-term labor contract act (Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz, WissZeitVG). The term is fixed for a period of 5 years. The position calls for 39 hours per week. This position is also suitable for part time employment.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Duties include academic services in the project named above. Research associates may also pursue independent research and further academic qualifications.

SPECIFIC DUTIES:

The position is part of a junior research group studying the role of institutional barriers to higher education. The PostDoc is having the lead on the international comparative aspect of the research activities. One of the position's key tasks is the creation of a data set for comparative analysis. The PostDoc will independently search and collect suitable data and identify suitable individual level data for comparative analyses. The main research agenda will be the analysis of the role of access regimes for intergenerational reproduction and educational attainment.

Concrete Tasks comprise, among others,

- Authoring research articles in cooperation with other group members
- Independent research, editing and care of a comparative data set
- Assisting with other group members with the production and care of the German data set
- Conducting internationally comparative cross-sectional and longitudinal analyses

- Coauthoring the intermediate and final project reports
- Presentation of research results on academic conferences and for expert committees
- Assisting other group members in their scientific career

REQUIREMENTS:

A university degree in a relevant subject plus doctorate. Preferably the PhD thesis focused on either of the three topics: Educational Attainment, Stratification or Social inequality.

Further Requirements are:

- Experience with data collection and editing
- Expert-level knowledge of quantitative data analysis with STATA
- Interest in and knowledge of the field of educational inequality research demonstrated by one (co-)authored research article
- A concise and coherent writing style

THE IDEAL CANDIDATE

- has an independent, reliable and structured work style
- is persistent, creative, thoroughly, communicative and capable of (giving and taking) criticism
- is open to contradictions and enjoys empirical and theoretical puzzles
- has some experience in coding law texts
- is willingly to take advantage of research visits abroad later in the project

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- working in an innovative and exciting research project on important social issues around institutional barriers to intergenerational justice and educational equality
- workshops in research methods
- integration into a international research network
- the possibility to further develop the individual research capacities in the structured framework of a research group
- optimal conditions for starting an own research career.

Qualified disabled candidates or applicants with equivalent status receive preference in the application process.

For further information, please contact florian.hertel@uni-hamburg.de or consult our website at <https://sozoek100.blogs.uni-hamburg.de/institutionelle-huerden-beim-hochschulzugang/> and <https://florianhertel.de/> . Interviews will be hold in January 2021

Applications should include a cover letter, a tabular curriculum vitae, copies of degree certificate(s) and a one-page wrap-up of potential research ideas. Please send applications by December, 31st 2020 to: florian.hertel@uni-hamburg.de.

Please do not submit original documents as we are **not** able to return them. Any documents submitted will be destroyed after the application process has concluded.