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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 two

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

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The position in accordance with Section 28 subsection 3 of the Hamburg higher education act (Hamburgisches Hochschulgesetz, HmbHG) commences at the earliest on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 65 % of standard work hours per week\*\*.

### RESPONSIBILITIES:

Duties include academic services in the project named above. Research associates may also pursue independent research and further academic qualifications and project results may be used in the context of doctorate.

### SPECIFIC DUTIES:

The positions are part of a junior research group studying the role of institutional barriers to higher education. One of the two positions will study the role of access barriers to the choice of the field of study, whereas the other position will study the association of access barriers with inequality in educational attainment. The research plans are roughly designed allowing the research associates to thoroughly work their way in a structured context while still leaving enough room and time for individual research within the project main theme.

Concrete Tasks comprise, among others,

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

\* Full-time positions currently comprise 39 hours per week.

- Coauthoring the intermediate and final project reports
- Presentation of research results on academic conferences and for expert committees

## REQUIREMENTS:

A university degree in a relevant field. Preferably the master's thesis focused on either of the three topics: Educational Attainment, Stratification or Social inequality.

Further Requirements are:

- Interest in and knowledge of the field of educational inequality research
- Knowledge of quantitative data analysis and statistical methods
- Experiences with statistical programs Stata and/or R

## THE IDEAL CANDIDATE:

- is persistent, creative, thoroughly, communicative and capable of (giving and taking) criticism
- is open to contradictions and enjoys empirical and theoretical puzzles
- advanced Stata knowledge

## WE OFFER:

- working in an innovative and exciting research project on important social issues around institutional barriers to intergenerational justice and educational equality
- high-level methodological schooling in Expert summer schools and 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.

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Applications should include a cover letter, a tabular curriculum vitae, and copies of degree certificate(s). Please send applications by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 to: [florian.hertel@uni-hamburg.de](mailto: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.