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IZA-BIGSSS-FELLOWSHIPS ON COMPARATIVE LABOUR MARKET RESEARCH

The *IZA-BIGSSS-Fellowships on Comparative Labour Market Research* is a research-related, integrated doctoral program funded by the renowned Institute of Labor Economics (www.iza.org). The program is fully operated by BIGSSS, granting all fellows unrestricted access to the resources of the graduate school. BIGSSS is part of an international network of highly acknowledged graduate programs. It supports doctoral fellows in achieving early scientific independence and provides funds for the conduct, presentation, and publishing of their research. The language of instruction is English. In order to allow all of our fellows to engage into mutual discussions with other fellows and BIGSSS faculty and staff, English language proficiency at the level of C1 is required. PhD theses are typically written in English too.

In addition to the regular curricular obligations at BIGSSS that will define the first three semesters of the program, the fellowship also provides for a practical, research-oriented part starting with the fourth semester. Fellows will then be working on their own dissertation in combination with thematically related research projects at IZA, raising and analyzing data and getting valuable insights in the functioning of a specialized research institute. During the whole time, fellows will commit themselves to mandatory parts of the BIGSSS curriculum such as workshops, colloquiums and institutional meetings. IZA-BIGSSS-fellows will receive demand-tailored theoretical and methodological training and acquire teaching experience in small seminars.

Admitted fellows of the BIGSSS IZA Regular PhD will be offered a limited-time work contract (42 months, 65% TV-L 13), contingent on successful completion of all curricular requirements of the program. To support its PhD fellows, the fellowship also provides funds for conducting, presenting and publishing research.

Program Start, Duration, and Components

The program commences on 1st September 2018. During the course of the program, IZA-BIGSSS fellows complete several mandatory PhD Milestones (please see box below for details). The filling of the offered position is subject to approval of funding. The employment is fixed-term and governed by the Act of Academic Fixed-Term Contract, §2 I (Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz – WissZeitVG). Therefore, candidates may only be considered for appointment if they still have the respective qualification periods available in accordance with § 2 (1) WissZeitVG.

Eligibility and Application

We seek candidates with strong academic abilities and a Master's degree (or equivalent) in Political Science, Sociology, Economics, or Psychology with a research interest in Comparative Labour Market Research. Applicants with a degree in related social science disciplines are also welcome. More information as well as lists of required application materials can be found at www.bigsss-bremen.de. For additional inquiries, please check the online FAQ and feel free to contact our admissions officer at admissions-officer@bigsss-bremen.de.

Non-German students are strongly encouraged to apply. BIGSSS strives to increase the share of women in the university and hence also strongly encourages women to apply. Applicants with disabilities who are equally qualified will be favored. Applications must be submitted online under "Admissions" at www.bigsss-bremen.de. **The call is open until April 15th, 2018**. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

For more info on application procedures and deadlines, please follow this link.

2 PhD Researchers in ERC project EFFORT (3 ½ years)

The research project "Effort and Social Inequality – Advancing Measurement and Understanding Parental Origin Effects" (EFFORT), funded by the European Research Council (ERC), is recruiting two Predoctoral Researchers to develop their doctoral theses within the project. The positions are offered for three and a half years, starting in September 2018.

1. One position is located at the WZB Social Science Center Berlin, within the Research Area Dynamics of Social Inequality. Closing date: **31 March 2018.** See Full Call for Applications.

2. The other position is located at the Carlos III Juan March Institute (IC3JM), affiliated to the Department of Social Sciences of Universidad Carlos III de Madrid (UC3M). Closing date: **15 April 2018**. See Full Call for Applications.

Enquiries about the vacancies and the project may be directed to Principal Investigator Jonas Radl (jradl@clio.uc3m.es).

THE CARLOS III-JUAN MARCH INSTITUTE INVITES EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITION

PhD Researcher in ERC project EFFORT (3 ½ years)

The research project "Effort and Social Inequality – Advancing Measurement and Understanding Parental Origin Effects" (EFFORT), funded by the European Research Council (ERC), is recruiting one pre-doctoral researcher. The project is located at the Carlos III Juan March Institute (IC3JM) and affiliated to the Department of Social Sciences of Universidad Carlos III de Madrid (UC3M). The researcher will enroll in UC3M's PhD program in the Social Sciences and write a doctoral thesis related to the project. The position is offered for three and a half years, starting in September 2018.

The Project

The EFFORT project aims to understand the role of effort in the reproduction of social inequality. Specifically, the project addresses three research questions:

1) To what extent do children's effort levels differ by parental socioeconomic background?
2) Can existing disparities in effort by social background be explained by (a) the intergenerational transmission of effort from parents to children and (b) varying motivations and differential susceptibility to incentives?
3) What are the best techniques to measure cognitive effort and what are the strengths and weaknesses of measures routinely used in different scientific disciplines?

The 5-year project will develop and exploit cutting-edge methods of effort measurement, including laboratory experiments. Effort dispositions will be further analyzed using existing (inter)national surveys. The project builds on collaborations with the Department of Economics of UC3M, the Department of Basic Psychology II of Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia (UNED), and the WZB Berlin Social Science Center. Two Postdoctoral Researchers, one other PhD student, and an administrative assistant will also be part of the team.

Doctoral degree

The PhD researcher is expected to pursue a doctoral degree within the Ph.D. program in Social Sciences at Carlos III University of Madrid (further information including admission requirements available here). The call is also open to students who are currently enrolled in a PhD program at other Spanish or international universities and are willing to relocate to the UC3M's PhD program in Social Sciences.

Requirements

- Excellent academic credentials (Master degree or equivalent) in sociology or another social science (education, psychology, economics). Applicants who have not completed their Master degree by the time of the application should include a statement from their supervisor confirming the expected date of the degree.
- Strong interest in the topic and willingness to write a project-related dissertation

- Good knowledge of quantitative research methods, including techniques of data processing and statistical data analysis (Stata and/or R); experience with longitudinal or cross-national data is an advantage.
- Familiarity with experimental methods in the social sciences is helpful
- Willingness to work in interdisciplinary and international contexts
- Excellent English language skills (written and spoken)
- Very good Spanish language skills (written and spoken)

Why apply? What is offered?

- The opportunity to work in an innovative research project funded within the prestigious ERC framework, the European Commission's flagship program for excellent science
- Becoming a member of a new international and interdisciplinary research group
- Entering a young and growing research environment in state-of-the-art facilities (further information on the IC3JM and the Department of Social Sciences)
- Access to novel data offering a range of applications
- Quality supervision. The candidate will develop his/her own PhD project within the lines of the project and guided by the project leader.
- No teaching obligation
- Remuneration is competitive. Funds for research and conference travel as well as for further methodological training are also available.

Application Materials:

- Letter of motivation (maximum 2 pages)
- Curriculum vitae (maximum 3 pages)
- Copies of university certificates, including transcripts of records
- References: one letter of recommendation (referees should email the letter of reference directly), job reference, or name and contact details of referee.
- Work sample: copy of master thesis (or equivalent final thesis), article, seminar paper, or manuscript, in Spanish or English
- Outline of a study design for a PhD Thesis (which may be only loosely related to the project) (in English, 2-3 pages)

Please submit your application electronically until April 15, 2018 to: effort@clio.uc3m.es.

Enquiries about the vacancy and the project may be directed to Principal Investigator Jonas Radl (jradl@clio.uc3m.es)

Equally well-qualified disabled persons will be given priority. Women are strongly encouraged to apply.

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LEIBNIZ-INSTITUT FÜR BILDUNGSVERLÄUFE e.V.

Am Leibniz-Institut für Bildungsverläufe e.V. ist zum 01. September 2018 folgende Stelle in Teilzeit (50%, Vergütung nach TV-L je nach persönlichen Voraussetzungen bis zu EGr. 13) und befristet auf 24 Monate zu besetzen:

(wiss.) Mitarbeiterin / Mitarbeiter im Arbeitsbereich Strukturen und Systeme

Das Leibniz-Institut für Bildungsverläufe e.V. (LIfBi) ist eine rechtlich eigenständige Infrastruktureinrichtung der empirischen Bildungsforschung und An-Institut der Otto-Friedrich-Universität Bamberg. Zuständig ist das LIfBi insbesondere für die Durchführung des Nationalen Bildungspanels (National Educational Panel Study, NEPS). Die zentrale Aufgabe dieses langfristigen Projekts ist die Bereitstellung von repräsentativen Daten zu Kompetenzentwicklung und Bildungsverläufen in Deutschland. Weitere Informationen zum LIfBi finden Sie unter www.lifbi.de.

Arbeitsumfeld:

Sie arbeiten in einem Institut mit derzeit rund 170 Beschäftigten mit wissenschaftlichem oder nicht-wissenschaftlichem Arbeitsschwerpunkt am Standort Bamberg. Die im Arbeitsbereich „Strukturen und Systeme“ der Abteilung 2 (Bildungsentscheidungen und -prozesse, Migration, Bildungsrenditen) ausgeschriebene Stelle ist im Projekt „Schulwege und ihre Bedeutung für Schulleistungen (SBS)“ angesiedelt. Es widmet sich der Frage, ob ein (und wenn ja, welcher) Zusammenhang zwischen der Länge des Schulwegs im Sekundarbereich und den erzielten Schulleistungen besteht.

Aufgabenbereiche:

Ihr Aufgabenbereich umfasst im Rahmen des Projekts vornehmlich die (eigenständige) Aufbereitung und wissenschaftliche Analyse der Daten der NEPS Startkohorte 3 zur Fragestellung des Projekts, die im Rahmen von Vorträgen auf Fachkonferenzen und Publikationen in wissenschaftlichen Zeitschriften veröffentlicht werden. Darüber hinaus prüfen Sie die Übertragbarkeit des Forschungsansatzes auf andere Startkohorten des NEPS.

Voraussetzungen:

Sie besitzen ein abgeschlossenes (wissenschaftliches) Hochschulstudium in einem inhaltlich einschlägigen Fachgebiet (z. B. Soziologie, Sozialwissenschaft, Survey Statistik oder Bildungsgeographie) sowie sehr gute Statistikkenntnisse im Bereich der quantitativen empirischen Sozialforschung, sehr gute Kenntnisse im Datenanalyseprogramm Stata und (erste) Erfahrungen in der Auswertung großer Längsschnittdaten, vorzugsweise mit NEPS-Daten. Weiter bringen Sie inhaltliches Interesse an raumbezogenen Fragestellungen, Fragestellungen der empirischen Bildungs- und Ungleichheitsforschung mit. Sehr gute Office und Englischkenntnisse sowie die Fähigkeit zur Teamarbeit und zu eigenständigem Arbeiten werden vorausgesetzt.

Die Stelle ist auch geeignet, sie neben einem einschlägigen Masterstudium in Teilzeit (49%) auszufüllen.

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LEIBNIZ-INSTITUT FÜR BILDUNGSVERLÄUFE e.V.

Wir bieten Ihnen eine Beschäftigung in einem spannenden und wachsenden Tätigkeitsfeld, Einarbeitung in ein Thema, das zunehmend im Fokus auch öffentlicher Aufmerksamkeit steht sowie flexible Arbeitszeiten in einem angenehmen Arbeitsumfeld, eine leistungsgerechte Vergütung mit tariflichen Sozialleistungen sowie eine betriebliche Altersversorgung mit Entgeltumwandlung bei der VBLU.

Das LIfBi legt besonderen Wert auf die Gleichstellung von Frauen und Männern. Schwerbehinderte Bewerberinnen und Bewerber werden bei im Wesentlichen gleicher Eignung bevorzugt berücksichtigt.

Ihre Bewerbung mit aussagekräftigen und vollständigen Unterlagen senden Sie bitte bis 15.04.2018 ausschließlich per E-Mail unter Angabe des Betreffs „SBS“ an: bewerbung@lifbi.de. Bei inhaltlichen Fragen zu dieser Stelle wenden Sie sich bitte an Dr. Michaela Sixt (0951-8633433; michaela.sixt@lifbi.de).

Spätestens sechs Monate nach Abschluss des Auswahlverfahrens werden die von Ihnen übermittelten personenbezogenen Daten gelöscht.