

Job offer

The research team of Prof. Dr Sonja Grimm, Chair of International Relations and European Studies, Institute of Political Science and Sociology, Julius-Maximilians-University Würzburg, Germany seeks to hire starting from 15 April 2024 for the duration of 3 years (with an option of prolongation of 3 years within the Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz)

a postdoctoral researcher (m/f/x)

(salary scale TV-L 13, 100% employment)

We seek to hire a researcher at the postdoc level for the team of the Chair of International Relations and European Studies. The hired candidate will work on an individual research project within the expertise of the chair, teach in the Department's Bachelor and Master programs, collaborate to acquire third-party funded research projects, and complete a habilitation thesis within the duration of the employment. The planned habilitation thesis project should be an innovative individual research project that is well connected to the Chair's main foci of research that include:

- Multilevel governance and global democracy
- Global North-South and South-South relations
- European integration and the foreign affairs of the European Union
- Statebuilding, democracy promotion, development cooperation
- Causes and Consequences of conflict and international crisis management
- Autocracies in international relations

More about the Chair can be found here: go.uni-wue.de/ir

We are looking for a highly reliable young scholar with interest in one or more of the above-mentioned topics.

Job profile: What you will do

- Conduct your own research project(s) up to a (cumulative) habilitation thesis
- Writing single authored and co-authored academic publications
- Teaching in the study programs of the department (equivalent of 6 SWS per term, for students in the BA, and MA programs and future teachers)
- Project management, academic self-administration
- Collaborating in acquiring third-party funded research projects

Your profile and essential qualifications: What you offer

- You have recently completed your PhD degree in political science, sociology, economics or a related discipline that fits to the Chair's areas of expertise (or you are very close to completion).
- You have experience in quantitative and/or qualitative research methods including data collection, analysis, management and publication.
- You have experience in teaching.
- You can work academically in English; proficiency in German is an asset.
- You are a reliable and independently working team player.

- You plan an academic career, and you are willing to further develop your capacities and skills in academic working in the social sciences.

The Chair and the Project: What we offer

- Integration into an international, dynamic and highly motivated Chair team that is well integrated into and develops further national and international academic research projects and networks (for example the Horizon-Europe funded research project EMBRACE or the German Research Network External Democracy Promotion).
- Continuous and encouraging supervision of your research project(s) and your habilitation thesis.
- Support in academic networking and presenting at (inter)national conferences.
- Support in getting published.
- Teaching experience allowing you to further expand your teaching portfolio.
- Research and management experience in Chair and research project work.
- Methodological training and practice.
- Flexible work arrangements alternating between presence work and mobile work.

Application

Your application should include a cover letter explaining how you fulfil the above criteria, a CV, certificates, a list of publications, a description of your planned research project (max. 4 pages) to be conducted in the next three to five years, up to two references (no letters please, contact details are sufficient), and your PhD thesis. Please make sure that your referees can be contacted shortly after the submission deadline. Please hand in your complete application latest by **15 February 2024** to Prof Dr Sonja Grimm via Email [sonja.grimm@uni-wuerzburg.de]. Please hand in all documents in exactly two files: one includes the PhD thesis, the other one all your other documents in the indicated order (both files please sized no more than 10 MB).

Questions as regards the position can be addressed to Sonja Grimm via the same email address. Job interviews will be scheduled shortly after the submission deadline for late February/early March.

Alternatively, application documents may be sent as hard copies to:

Prof. Dr. Sonja Grimm, Chair of International Relations and European Studies, Institute for Political Science and Sociology, Wittelsbacherplatz 1, 97074 Würzburg, Germany. Please send copies of documents only. For cost reasons, application documents cannot be returned. Documents will be destroyed as soon as the selection procedure has been completed. If you enclose a postage-paid envelope, the application documents will be returned to you by three months after the end of the selection procedure.

The University of Würzburg is an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will be considered for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, or age. The JMU aims to reduce the underrepresentation of women and therefore explicitly encourages qualified women to apply. Severely handicapped applicants will be given preferential consideration in the case of broadly equal suitability, ability and professional achievements.

