The University of Luxembourg invites applications for the following vacancy

Doctoral Candidate (Ph.D. student) in Sociology

(Reference F3-090001) Preferably from 1 September 2018 Full-time, 36 months Employee status and student status

The successful candidate will investigate subjective well-being, health, and social comparison among young people in Luxembourg and beyond. To this end, she/he will help design, test, conduct, and analyze a large-scale survey, supervised by Associate Professor Dr. Robin Samuel. The analysis of secondary data will complement her or his Ph.D. work.

The successful candidate will become a member of the Doctoral School in Humanities and Social Sciences and the research unit INSIDE (Integrative Research Unit on Social and Individual Development). This multidisciplinary research unit focuses on sociological, psychological, educational, and economic processes associated with social change and development.

Tasks

- Help design, test, and conduct a survey and own modules within it (e.g., vignette experiment, choice experiment)
- Write a cumulative Ph.D. thesis in the domain of subjective well-being, health, and social comparison among young people in Luxembourg and beyond (based on analyses of survey data)
- Participate in national and international conferences
- Contribute to reports and research publications based on, e.g., analyses of data generated by the survey and already available data sets
- Contribute to teaching in the field of social and educational sciences at the bachelor level

Profile

- Excellent master's degree in sociology or the social sciences
- Experience and strong interest in quantitative research methods
- Knowledge of statistical software for quantitative analyses (e.g., R, Stata)
- Willingness to expand on analytical skills
- Excellent command of at least two of the following languages: English, French, German (written and spoken); Luxembourgish is considered an asset

Offer

- Opportunities to expand your skills and knowledge in a dynamic research team
- Personal workspace at the University (this full-time contract requires the candidate to work on the University premises)
- Stimulating work environment
- Integration into Doctoral School
- Salary according to University of Luxembourg guidelines

Application Documents

- Motivation letter (max. two pages)
- Curriculum vitae
- One-page outline of a Ph.D. project in the area of subjective well-being, health, and social comparison
- Writing sample (e.g., M.A. thesis, seminar paper)
- Copies of diplomas

Contact

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Please apply **online** by 1 May 2018. Applications obtained by e-mail cannot be processed.

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