

The University of Luxembourg invites applications for the following position within the Research Unit INSIDE at the Faculty of Language and Literature, Humanities, Arts and Education for a

## **PhD candidate in Educational Science**

*Ref:F3-080016*

3 year fixed-term contract, renewable once (up to a total of 4 years maximum), 40h/week

Student and employee status

The doctoral candidate will be a member of the subdomain “Early Childhood: Education and Care” (Head: Prof. Dr. Michael-Sebastian Honig) within the Research Unit INSIDE. This subdomain observes and analyses the changing practices and policies of early childhood education and care (ECEC) in Luxembourg from a childhood sociological perspective. It follows two complementary methodological strategies: On the one side, the pedagogical practices of Luxembourgian care arrangements are analysed and described in ethnographic studies. On the other side, the structures and transformations of the ECEC system are subject to social monitoring and reporting. The PhD position is located in the realm of social and education scientific analyses of ECEC systems and shall contribute to establishing a constant monitoring of the early childcare situation in Luxembourg.

### **Tasks**

- Preparing a doctoral thesis on the structures and transformations of the ECEC system in Luxembourg as part of the formation of a constant social monitoring.
- Cooperating with the research and development activities of the subdomain “Early Childhood: Education and Care” and setting up a network of pertinent scientific, political and administrative actors
- Participating in courses and colloquia of the Doctoral School in Educational Sciences (DES)
- Supporting the professorship with teaching and management tasks in a predetermined time frame

### **Profile**

- Diploma or Master Degree in sociology, economics, educational science or equivalent
- Good knowledge of methods in quantitative empirical social research, especially for the generation and analysis of survey and official data
- Good knowledge of theoretical approaches to the analysis of care and education systems
- Practical experiences of empirical research
- Very good competencies in German and English, good proficiency in French is desirable

### **Offer**

- International environment
- Working with a highly motivated team
- Opportunity for qualification and strengthening international visibility

## **Application**

Candidates are kindly asked to submit until **July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013** their full application including

- Motivation letter
- Curriculum vitae
- List of publications
- A writing sample
- Copies of diplomas

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