

The University of Vienna (20 faculties and centres, 184 fields of study, approx. 10.400 members of staff, about 90.000 students) seeks to fill the position **from 1 February 2023** (or as soon as possible afterwards) of a

**Scientific Staff (prae doc) at the Department of Sociology**

The doctoral student will be part of the **WWTF-funded project CHIAS “Cognitive health in aging society - The role of context for cognitive functioning and related policy implications in Europe” (PI: Valeria Bordone)**. Providing a clear understanding of healthy cognitive aging is the goal of this interdisciplinary project. CHIAS will investigate inequalities across time and space to shed light on the link between labour market participation and cognitive aging across European countries and regions over the life course. More information about the project can be found at <https://www.wwtf.at/funding/programmes/ls/LS22-008/index.php?lang=EN>. The doctoral student will particularly focus on cross-national comparisons and the analysis of life-course dynamics, having the opportunity to conduct scientific research as part of a motivated and committed research team. Duties include participation in the administration of the project.

The doctoral student is expected to develop a dissertation project that fits within the topic of the project and will be supervised by Valeria Bordone. We expect the successful candidate to sign a doctoral thesis agreement within 9–12 months. The candidate who is selected for this position joins the ViDSS (Vienna Doctoral School of Social Sciences <https://vds-sosci.univie.ac.at/>) as student member.

**Duration of employment:** The employment contract is initially limited to 1 year, with the possibility of extension to a total of 4 years.

**Extent of Employment:** 30 hours/week

**Job grading in accordance with collective bargaining agreement:** §48 VwGr. B1 Grundstufe (praedoc) with relevant work experience determining the assignment to a particular salary grade. The related salary in accordance with the collective agreement 2022 is € 2,293.95 gross per month (14x per year, to be adjusted for 2023 according to collective bargaining results).

**Your tasks include:**

- Independent and collaborative research analysing large datasets with quantitative methods as part of the WWTF-funded project “CHIAS”
- Integration into the research project’s team through collaboration in research with project partners at IIASA, JKU (Linz) and Karolinska Institutet (Stockholm)
- Publication of academic articles and presentations at international conferences
- Contribution to the dissemination strategy of the project, both in academic (conferences) and non-academic sectors (with key stakeholders, policymakers/practitioners)
- Preparation/completion of a doctoral dissertation in sociology related to the project’s topic
- Participation in the organisation of meetings/conferences and research administration (e.g., website)

**Your qualifications:**

- Completed Master's degree in sociology, demography or a corresponding discipline
- Deep interest in and enthusiasm for scientific work
- High level of motivation and commitment to successfully complete the doctoral studies within the anticipated time frame
- In-depth knowledge of quantitative research methods of data analysis
- Experience with statistical data analysis using STATA and/or R
- Strong command of written and spoken English (level C1)
- Collaborative, team-minded and pro-active attitude
- Excellent organisational skills, high reliability, and ability to meet deadlines
- Desirable qualification is academic interest in ageing research

**Application documents:**

- Letter of motivation
- Curriculum vitae
- Degree certificates and academic transcripts (copies) of previously completed university degree programmes (BA and MA/MSc)
- A writing example (e.g. MA thesis or seminar paper)
- Reference letter or name and e-mail address of a contactable referee

All documents have to be submitted in **one single PDF file** via E-mail to [valeria.bordone@univie.ac.at](mailto:valeria.bordone@univie.ac.at) no later than **24 November 2022**. Applications have to be submitted in English.

Job interviews are expected to take place online in the period 28 November – 2 December 2022.

**Contact**

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