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At the Faculty of Social Sciences, the University of Vienna seeks to appoint a

Tenure-Track Professor in the field of Qualitative Social Research

The position:

The Tenure Track position is dedicated to research and teaching on the fundamentals and current methodological developments in the field of qualitative social research. It focuses on the application and ongoing refinement of innovative methods. Sound knowledge of interpretative, hermeneutic and/or reconstructive social research is desirable.

The qualitative social research tradition, influenced by Viennese sociology, is centered on addressing authentic societal concerns. Within this framework, our research involves practical studies that integrate societal diagnoses and sociological theories. By combining traditional approaches with contemporary qualitative research methods, we establish a robust foundation for generating innovative and practically applicable insights in the field of qualitative social research. Continuous progress in interpretive methodologies plays a pivotal role in this context. Research findings are disseminated through scholarly publications that not only focus on methodological foundations but also facilitate the development of interpretively oriented research projects. This progressive approach is evident in the active involvement of department members in advancing Grounded Theory, visual methodologies and methods, as well as biographical research. More information can be found at: <https://www.soz.univie.ac.at/en/research/>

For specific inquiries related to the field, please contact Univ.-Prof. Dr. Anna Pospech Durnova, Department for Sociology, Faculty of Social Sciences, at anna.durnova@univie.ac.at.

Your academic profile:

- Doctoral degree/PhD
- Two years of international research experience during or after doctoral studies
- Outstanding research achievements, excellent publication and funding record, international reputation
- Gender and diversity competence
- Experience in designing of and participating in research projects, ability to lead research groups and acquire third-party funding
- Enthusiasm for excellent teaching and supervision at the bachelor's, master's, and doctoral level

We expect the successful candidate to acquire, within three years, proficiency in German sufficient for teaching in bachelor's programmes and for participation in university committees.

We offer:

- the opportunity to obtain a permanent position and eventual promotion to full professor; the initial contract as Assistant Professor is limited to six years, after positive evaluation of a qualification agreement the contract becomes permanent as Associate Professor; Associate Professors can be promoted to Full Professor through an internal competitive procedure.
- a dynamic research environment
- a wide range of research and teaching support services
- attractive working conditions in a city with a high quality of life
- an attractive salary according to the [Collective Bargaining Agreement for University Staff](#) (level A2) and an organisational retirement plan

Application documents (in English):

1. **Letter of motivation**
2. **Academic curriculum vitae**
 - education and training (PhD Certificate, PDF)
 - positions held to date
 - relevant parental, family or other care times
 - awards and honors
 - commissions of trust
 - previous and current cooperation partners
 - complete list of acquired third-party funding and, if applicable, of inventions/patents
 - list of most important scientific talks (max. 10)
 - teaching and mentoring
 - supervision experience (Master and PhD), if applicable
3. **List of publications**
 - link to your own publicly accessible ORCID record, with a complete and current publication list
 - three key publications as electronic full text version (PDF, max. 30 MB)
4. **Research statement**
 - most important research achievements (max. 2 pages) and planned future research activities (max. 4 pages)
 - synopsis of three key publications with relevance to the position advertised
 - publication strategy
5. **Teaching and supervision statement**
 - teaching and supervision concept, including a description of the previous and planned priorities in academic teaching and supervision (max. 2 pages)
 - teaching evaluations (if available, PDF)

If you have any questions, please contact:

tenuretrack.personal@univie.ac.at

Only applications submitted through the link below will be considered.

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