Postdoctoral Researcher (m/f/x)

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Stellenbeschreibung

Faculty of Psychology:
Chair of Social and Environmental Psychology

In order to fill a fixed-term position in full-time (39.83 hours/week = 100%) starting on 04/15/2026, we are looking for a

Postdoctoral Researcher (m/f/x)

We invite applications for a Postdoctoral Researcher (m/f/x) position in the field of social and/or environmental psychology. The Postdoctoral Researcher (m/f/x) will be a member of the Social and Environmental Psychology department (chair: Prof. Wilhelm Hofmann). We study a broad array of topics in social and environmental psychology, including self-control, cooperation, morality, political attitudes such as policy acceptance, and sustainable as well as health behaviors. From a methodological perspective, we strive to combine the rigor of experimental research paradigms with the external validity and richness of behavioral data from everyday life (as measured, for instance, with ecological momentary assessment). For more information on our research, please visit https://www.soc.psy.ruhr-uni-bochum.de. Ruhr University Bochum is one of Germany's leading research universities, offering a collaborative and interdisciplinary research environment on a unified, modern campus.

Your tasks:

The postdoctoral researcher (m/f/x) is expected to develop or expand an innovative research program under the supervision and mentoring of Prof. Hofmann with collaborative opportunities across the team. The position includes a teaching commitment (e.g., research-oriented seminars at the Bachelor's or Master's level). Knowledge of German is helpful but not required. The salary is based on the German TVL-13 scale (100%). The contract is limited to 3 years.

Anforderungsprofil & Qualifikationen

Your profile:

We are looking for a motivated and collegial researcher (m/f/x) with the following qualifications:

- PhD in social or environmental psychology or a related field (e.g., motivation science, health psychology)
- Strong academic record with publications in leading international journals
- Interest in bridging basic and applied research
- Ability to work in an international, interdisciplinary research environment
- Advanced skills in research design and statistics (e.g., power analysis, path/multilevel modeling, frequentist & Bayesian approaches)
- Proficiency in programming or computational tools (e.g., R, experimental software, simulations, machine learning)
- Familiarity with open science practices
- Experience and motivation to supervise and mentor junior researchers
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills, including the ability to communicate scientific insights to both academic and public audiences
- Prior experience and interest in research-oriented teaching

We offer:

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- A stimulating and supportive research environment within a dynamic and interdisciplinary team
- Employment at one of Germany's leading research universities, embedded in a vibrant academic ecosystem
- Structured supervision and comprehensive training opportunities, including workshops on transferable skills
- Support for presenting your research at international conferences and academic events
- Full integration into a collaborative, internationally connected faculty with strong research networks
- A forward-thinking, inclusive, and collegial research culture that values openness, rigor, and innovation

Further information:

The position is salaried and based on the collective agreement of the Länder (TV-L). If the personal and collective agreement requirements are met, the employee will receive pay grade E13 TV-L.

Further information can be found at https://oeffentlicher-dienst.info/ (in German).

The place of work is Ruhr University Bochum.

The load of teaching will be calculated according to § 3 of Lehrverpflichtungsverordnung (state of North Rhine-Westphalia).

The position is offered within the framework of the "New Career Paths" program at RUB and enables candidates to qualify further ("established researcher"; "leading researcher"). The goal is, in addition to obtaining scientific qualifications, to provide timely advice on further career steps.

RUB sees itself as a university with an international presence. The campus languages are German and English. Competence in at least one of the two languages and the willingness to learn the other are a prerequisite. RUB provides corresponding free courses for employees.

German language courses are offered by the University Language Center (ZFA) in the field of German as a Foreign Language (DaF).

https://www.daf.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/sbgk/index.html.en

The Staff Council has the right to participate in all selection interviews. At the request of a candidate (m/f/x), it will ensure its participation in the entire procedure. Please contact **wpr@rub.de**.

The Ruhr-Universität Bochum is one of Germany's leading research universities, addressing the whole range of academic disciplines. A highly dynamic setting enables researchers and students to work across the traditional boundaries of academic subjects and faculties. To create knowledge networks within and beyond the university is Ruhr-Universität Bochum's declared aim.

The Ruhr-Universität Bochum stands for diversity and equal opportunities. For this reason, we favour a working environment composed of heterogeneous teams, and seek to promote the careers of individuals who are underrepresented in our respective professional areas. The Ruhr-Universität Bochum expressly requests job applications from women. In areas in which they are underrepresented they will be given preference in the case of equivalent

qualifications with male candidates. Applications from individuals with disabilities are most welcome.

Contact persons for further information:

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Wilhelm Hofmann

Travel costs, accommodation costs and loss of earnings or other application costs for job interviews can unfortunately not be reimbursed.

We look forward to receiving your application via our **online application portal by 2025-12-15**. Please make sure to mention the reference number ANR 5172.

Vorteile für Mitarbeitende

- Vergünstigtes Jobticket
- Arbeitsplatz in lebendiger Metropolregion

Stellenmerkmale

Beschäftigungsart Wissenschaftliche:r Mitarbeiter:in

Beschäftigungsumfang Vollzeit (befristet)

Home Office Nein

Bewerbungslink https://jobs.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/jobposting/

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