

Job posting

Type of position

scientific

administrative

Target group

graduates

post docs

other

Title

Research Fellow (f/m/x)

Institution

The WZB Berlin Social Science Center, research area International Politics and Law, research unit Global Sociology (led by Professor Yasemin Soysal), is seeking to employ one Research Fellow (f/m/x)

to be employed fulltime (39 hours/week) until 31 December 2025, starting earliest on 01 December 2021 and latest on 01 February 2022.

The WZB Berlin Social Science Center is a publicly financed research institution that conducts leading edge theory-based and problem-oriented social science research (<http://www.wzb.eu/en>). WZB researchers come from across the globe and work across social science disciplines including sociology, political science, economics, law, and psychology. A member of the Leibniz Association, WZB's research is directed at the science community, policy makers, the media and the general public.

The Global Sociology research unit focuses on global structures, processes, and practices, as well as their causes and outcomes. It is part of the Cluster of Excellence "Contestations of the Liberal Scripts" (SCRIPTS), which analyses the contemporary controversies about the liberal order from a historical, global, and comparative perspective. Besides the WZB, the Cluster includes the Freie Universität Berlin, the Humboldt University of Berlin, the Hertie School of Governance, the Centre for East European and International Studies, the German Institute for Economic Research, the German Institute of Global and Area Studies, and the Leibniz Centre for Modern Oriental Studies (<http://www.scripts-berlin.eu>).

Position

The position is embedded in the Global Sociology unit and the research fellow is expected to work together with Professor Soysal on the unit's ongoing research projects and conduct independent research within the scope of the unit's overall research agenda. Please see the unit's website for more information (<https://www.wzb.eu/en/research/international-politics-and-law/global-sociology>).

- Responsibilities**
- Contributing conceptually and empirically to the study of global processes in one of the central research fields of the unit: citizenship, human rights, international migrations, science and knowledge economy
 - Designing and implementing quantitative and comparative analyses in these fields
 - Taking responsibility for designing and conducting large-scale, multi-sited surveys
 - Publishing empirically grounded research, preferably in international, peer-reviewed journals
 - Collaborating in designing and drafting project proposals for further funding

- Requirements**
- A doctoral degree in Sociology or a related social science discipline, with an interest in cross-disciplinary research
 - Profound knowledge and experience of quantitative methods of empirical social research
 - Competence in social science survey research methods, including design, sampling, programming and administration of survey questionnaires and survey experiments
 - Competence in digital data mining and textual analysis, or willingness to learn
 - Competence in data visualization and presentation tools (e.g. R, Python, etc.), or willingness to learn
 - Competence in compilation of reports for non-academic audience and media outlets
 - Ability and willingness to work in a team
 - Excellent command of written and spoken English, preferably also another language

Application procedure (deadline etc.)

Our offer

- Remuneration in accordance with EG 13 TVöD Bund (in accordance with German Wage Agreement for Public Service)
- A well-equipped workplace in the centre of Berlin
- An international, cooperative, and diversified working environment
- Integration into the scientific community in the form of colloquia and conferences, and the possibility to teach courses at universities in Berlin
- Research support by student assistants and travel funding, as well as opportunities to invite external collaborators and visiting research fellows
- Flexible working hours and a good work–life balance (our engagement has been certified by the audit Work and Family and the European Commission’s Human Resources Strategy for Researchers)

Equally well-qualified applicants with disabilities will be given preference. We value diversity and welcome all applications regardless of gender, nationality, ethnic or social origin, religion, disability, age, or sexual orientation. The WZB explicitly

encourages women and persons with a migrant background to apply.

If you have any questions, please contact Lina Hayek at +49 30 25491 346

Please send us your online application in English (consisting of a letter of motivation, a research plan of 2–3 pages, a curriculum vitae, a list of publications, copies of relevant certificates, and your PhD certificate) by no later than 08 October 2021 under this link: https://wzb.hr4you.org/job/apply/83/research-fellow-f-m-x?page_lang=en

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