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POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH POSITION On “Inequality in Developing Countries”

The [University of Zurich](https://www.unizh.ch) invites applications for a 4-year position as post-doctoral researcher at the [Political Science Department](https://www.unizh.ch/en/political-science), with the possibility of collaboration with the [Department of Economics](https://www.unizh.ch/en/economics). The position allows a large amount of time for independent research with limited teaching obligations for the Political Science Department.

The successful candidate will be expected to pursue his/her own research agenda in the field of inequality in developing or emerging economies, broadly understood. Research projects linking inequality or poverty reduction in developing countries to issues of distributive politics, governance and/or reform policies would be of particular interest. The position will be associated with the newly launched [University Research Priority Program \(URPP\)](https://www.unizh.ch/en/research-priority-program) on the topic of “Equality of Opportunity”, and with the research group “Political Economy and Development” (Prof. Katharina Michaelowa). Depending on the profile, the successful candidate will be welcome to collaborate with other researchers in the URPP, e.g. in the research groups on “Applied Economics” (Prof. Dina Pomeranz) and “Comparative Political Economy” (Prof. Silja Häusermann).

Requirements

- A PhD in Political Science or Economics, with a preference for the subfields of Development Economics, (International) Political Economy, Comparative Politics, and/or Political Behavior. The PhD should be completed or near completion.
- Strong interest in and ability for excellent academic research.
- Strong methodological skills, including experience with (quasi-) experimental methods.
- Dedication, ability to work in a team, and ability to work independently.
- Strong command of English.

Starting date, conditions, application

The start of the 4-year position is in August or September 2021. The salary is appr. 75'000 CHF/year.

Further inquiries can be directed to Prof. Katharina Michaelowa (katja.michaelowa@pw.uzh.ch), Prof. Dina Pomeranz (dina.pomeranz@uzh.ch) or Prof. Silja Häusermann (silja.haeusermann@ipz.uzh.ch).

Please send your application electronically as one pdf-file comprising your letter of interest, CV, list of papers or publications, transcripts, teaching evaluations (if available), writing sample (for instance a job market paper), a brief description (1-2 pages) of projects you plan to work on over the next 4 years, and two names of people willing to provide references to sekretariat@ipz.uzh.ch.

Please fill out the form and add it to your application documents:

http://www.ipz.uzh.ch/static/forms/download/additional_application_form.pdf

Applications will be considered on a rolling basis; the closing date is March 15th, 2021.