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Doctoral (Ph.D.) / Assistant Position in Comparative Politics (Assistenz)

The Department of Political Science at the University of Zurich (IPZ) invites applications for 1 doctoral (Ph.D.) / assistant position (Assistenz) in the research group of the Chair of Comparative Politics held by Prof. Daniele Caramani.

The IPZ offers excellent research conditions and a stimulating academic environment. Through its collaborations, research centres and exchange programmes, it is widely internationally connected. The IPZ is committed to promote young scholars in their career advancement and provides strong methodological support. The positions will be filled for 3 years and can be renewed to 1 year contingent on Ph.D. progress, research productivity, teaching quality and commitment to chair and departmental activities. Compensation starts by CHF 53'189.

The successful candidates will engage in research and teaching in the area of comparative politics. They are expected to pursue own research interests, participate to international conferences and produce outstanding scholarship with publications in top journals and presses. Candidates must possess encompassing theoretical knowledge of comparative politics, solid training in quantitative methods and statistical packages (Stata and R), international experience, the ability and motivation to work in team and conduct independent research, and the ability to work fluently in English and/or German.

The tasks include:

- Writing a Ph.D. dissertation based on the candidate's own research interests in the broad area of comparative politics.
- Teaching undergraduate seminars or introductory courses in English or German (app. 2 hours weekly in 2 semesters of 14 weeks), advising students, preparing and marking examinations, and occasional administrative tasks.
- Participation to the department's activities and to the doctoral programme.
- Participation to summer schools, scholarly conferences and scientific networks.

Please send to sekretariat@ipz.uzh.ch (possibly as one PDF-attachment): cover letter, CV, transcripts, statement of research purpose, name of a person who would be willing to serve as a reference. Informal inquiries are encouraged (0041 44 634 4010 / caramani@ipz.uzh.ch).

Start date: September 1, 2021
Applications by: April 30, 2021
Interviews: in the course of May, 2021
Information: www.ipz.uzh.ch