research position (PhD)
starting August 1st, 2019
(E13 TV-L, non-permanent position)

Your Tasks
This research position is situated within the newly established research focus „Global Sustainable Environmental Health Sciences“. Your tasks will include co-developing new research ideas and projects, contributing to the writing of grant proposals and conducting scientific research across all stages of a research project, from concept development and data collection to data analysis and results dissemination. You will additionally support the work in existing projects related to (among others) heat and health or tobacco research. A current regional focus of the work in this young group lies on East and South Asia. International collaborations are an integral component of the research projects. The research group will investigate issues related to sustainability, environment and health (e.g. climate change and health; social and cultural environmental determinants of health and health behavior; theories on environment and health; regional studies in Asia; implementation research; intervention development).

Your tasks include:
Scientific support for the establishment of a research group linked to the assistant professorship „Global Sustainable Environmental Health Sciences“ (70 %)
• Carry out research within these thematic fields (data collection and analysis)
• Contribute to idea development, project planning, and project management
• Present research results at national and international scientific conferences and contribute to the writing of scientific manuscripts

Teaching in Public Health (25 %)
• Plan and conduct seminars as well as supervision of seminar papers and theses on environment and health within the BSc Health Communication

Contributions to service to the university and the discipline (5 %)

Your Profile
We expect
• Master’s Degree or equivalent in Public Health, social sciences (e.g. anthropology, sociology), medicine, psychology, ecology, biology or related disciplines from an internationally recognized university (Master’s theses should be in English or German)
• Interest in research on environment and health
• Knowledge of qualitative research methods
• High interest in international collaboration and interdisciplinary work
• Good English language skills (written and oral)
• Ability to organize tasks and to communicate effectively

Preferable qualifications
• Interest in conducting PhD research in this research field
• Basic knowledge of quantitative research methods and epidemiology
• Ability to work both independently and as part of a team
• Willingness to travel infrequently for conferences or fieldwork

Remuneration
Salary will be paid according to Remuneration level 13 of the Wage Agreement for Public Service in the Federal States (TV-L). As stipulated in § 2 (1) paragraph 1 of the WissZeitVG (fixed-term employment), the contract will end after three years. In accordance with the provisions of the WissZeitVG and the Agreement on Satisfactory Conditions of Employment, the length of contract may differ in individual cases. The employment is designed to encourage further academic qualification. The position is advertised as 65 % part-time. In individual cases, this percentage may be reduced on request, as long as this does not conflict with official needs.

Bielefeld University is particularly committed to equal opportunities and the career development of its employees. It offers attractive internal and external training and further training programmes. Employees have the opportunity to use a variety of health, counseling, and prevention programmes. Bielefeld University places great importance on a work–family balance for all its employees.

Application Procedure
For of original documents because all application materials will be destroyed at the end of the selection procedure. For full consideration, your application should be received via either post (see postal address below) or email (a single PDF) document sent to melanie.boeckmann@uni-bielefeld.de by the 19th of July, 2019. Your application should include the following documents: cover letter explaining why you are interested in the post and what makes you suitable for it, academic CV, degree certificates, a short summary of your Master thesis. Please mark your application with the identification code: wiss19124. Please do not use communication via unencrypted e-mail. Information on the processing of personal data is available http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/universitaet/Aktuelles/Stellenausschreibungen/2018_DS-Hinweise.pdf.

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