The Institute for Interdisciplinary Conflict and Violence Research (IKG) offers a part-time research position starting January 1st, 2020 (E13 TV-L, non-permanent position)

Your Tasks

The advertised position is part of the DFG Research Group PH-LENS in the subproject OTHER II. The research group is investigating refugee migration and the resulting challenges for "refugee health", which are currently seen as an exception or singularity. In the DFG-funded research group PH-LENS we assume that this represents a social and scientific bottleneck:

Firstly, such a singularity perspective can have negative effects on the health of refugees by contributing to exclusion and separation through processes of ‘othering’ and thus to a further marginalisation of the refugees. Secondly, such a narrowing of the population leads to a missed opportunity to improve the health of the whole population, as the inherent analytical potential to address wider deficits is not exploited. In view of the social heterogeneity in Germany, the challenges of "refugee health" can be understood as an increase and accumulation of factors that also affect the health of other subgroups and ultimately - albeit to varying degrees - of all people in Germany. In PH-LENS we examine two such factors and their interactions from an emphatically interdisciplinary perspective: on the one hand, contextual (small-scale) influences on health; on the other hand, specific challenges to the health system (which we examine with the help of the concept of resilience of the health system). ‘Othering’ as an analytical perspective serves as a theoretical link between both factors. The subproject OTHER II investigates interpersonal and structural effects of ‘othering’ in health care settings using quantitative secondary analyses and vignette-based experimental studies and online surveys.

Your Tasks include:

- scientific collaboration on the experimental case vignette study and an online survey (40 %)
- cooperation and exchange with the other sub-projects, in particular OTHER I for the theoretical framing and conceptualisation of ‘Othering’ (25 %)
- quantitative secondary analysis of survey data (20 %)
- participation in the publication of the results (15 %)

Your Profile

We expect

- an university degree (master’s or diploma) in psychology, educational science, sociology or a comparable field
- experience in carrying out experimental studies and analysing cross-sectional data
- good application knowledge of quantitative social research methods and related statistical software
- basic knowledge of prejudice, racism and discrimination research
- independent and cooperative work
- Interest in interdisciplinary work on the ‘Othering’ concept

Preferable qualifications

- interest in the further scientific qualification in the thematic area of the project (PHD)
- experience in interdisciplinary work contexts e. g. projects

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) sentences 1 of the WissZeitVG (fixed-term employment), the contract will end on December 31, 2022. 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 job. In individual cases, this percentage may be reduced on request, as long as this does not conflict with official needs.

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Application Procedure

For full consideration, your application should be received via either post (see postal address below) or email (a single PDF document sent to sekretariat.ikg@uni-bielefeld.de by the 25th of September, 2019). Please mark your application with the identification code: wiss19205. Do not use application portfolios and send only photocopies of original documents because all application materials will be destroyed at the end of the selection procedure. Further information on Bielefeld University can be found on our homepage at www.uni-bielefeld.de. Please note that the possibility of privacy breaches and unauthorized access by third parties cannot be excluded when communicating via unencrypted e-mail. Information on the processing of personal data is available at https://www.uni-bielefeld.de/Universitaet/Aktuelles/Stellenausschreibungen/2019_DS-Hinweise_english.pdf.

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