



Vacancies for 2 Post-Doctoral Researchers **DFG Project “Demographic and Social Pathways of Educational** **Reproduction: A Cross-National Study”**

We invite applications for the positions of

2 Post-Doctoral Researchers, 100%, 24 months (reference: Wiss2106-33)

These positions are available on the DFG project “Demographic and Social Pathways of Educational Reproduction: A Cross-National Study” headed by Thomas Leopold and Gordey Yastrebov in cooperation with Jan Skopek (Trinity College, Dublin). The project is based at the Institute of Sociology and Social Psychology (ISS) at the University of Cologne. It will start in autumn 2021 and the postdoctoral positions are available for two years. Successful applicants can start between **October 1, 2021 and February 1, 2022**.

The **project description** is available [here](#).

The researchers will:

- hold a PhD degree (or close to completion) and have research experience in sociology, demography or closely related fields. We seek researchers working on intergenerational transmission of inequality, social mobility, assortative mating, and/or social inequality in family experiences and demographic behavior. We also encourage researchers focusing on methods of quantitative social research and/or formal demographic modelling to apply.
- analyze national and cross-national survey data and register data (experience with GGS, FFS, ISSP, ESS, SHARE, etc. is welcome)
- collaborate in the development of research articles
- have no teaching obligations but may teach on a voluntary basis
- make Cologne (or a location within commuting distance) their primary residence for the duration of their contract

Further requirements are a good research and publication record relative to career stage, and commitment to open science.

What we offer:

- The Institute of Sociology and Social Psychology (ISS) is one of Germany’s top schools in social research. The ISS is a large and interdisciplinary research and teaching institute with a flourishing graduate and postgraduate community and particular expertise in social demography, social psychology, family sociology, social networks, social stratification, survey methodology, and cross-national comparative research.
- Access to funding for conference travel and other research activities within the remit of the project.
- A support package including family support, health management, and local transport.
- Employment on terms governed by German federal law, state university law, and collective agreements applicable to the University of Cologne. The pay scale for the advertised positions is TVL E-13 and payment within this scale is determined by job

experience. On a 100% position, the monthly payment before taxes typically ranges between EUR 4,500 and EUR 5,000.

Application

Please submit your electronic application **in a single PDF file**, including:

- Motivation letter (1-2 pages).
- CV, including a list of publications and the contact details of two references.

We might ask shortlisted applicants to submit further material (a writing sample and code). Correspondence will be in English. Please send your application as an e-mail attachment to Gordey Yastrebov at gyastreb@uni-koeln.de. The subject line of the email message should include the applicant's last name and the reference to the position (**Wiss2106-33**). The application deadline is **August 16, 2021** (before midnight).

Please direct inquiries about the positions to Gordey Yastrebov at gyastreb@uni-koeln.de.

Please also see the official job ad [here](#).

The University of Cologne is committed to diversity, equal opportunities and compatibility of family and career. International candidates are welcome. We explicitly encourage minorities to apply.