

Job opening

Experienced Researcher (f/m/d) for international student and graduate surveys (full-time)

The **Institute for Advanced Studies** is an independent, non-profit research institute that combines multidisciplinary expertise to conduct research in the public interest.

The **Higher Education Research (HER) group** is primarily concerned with student and graduate research as well as with gender equality at national and international level. Important current international projects include EUROSTUDENT, EUROGRADUATE and various Erasmus+ Impact Studies. Further information on the research group can be found here: <https://www.ihs.ac.at/HER>.

To strengthen our team we are looking for an **experienced researcher** (f/m/d) for international student and graduate surveys.

Job profile

- Participation in international research projects of HER; autonomous processing and analysis of quantitative data as part of a small research team
- Close cooperation with the other researchers at HER; coordination and guidance of junior researchers and student assistants
- As soon as possible assumption of responsibility for projects (in terms of content, organisation and team leadership)
- Depending on the course of the project, changing tasks have to be taken over under your leadership, among others:
 - (Co-)development of standards to ensure the international comparability of survey data (field phase, data preparation, data evaluation, reporting), preparation of manuals for and training of international research teams in these standards as well as quality assurance measures to ensure compliance with them
 - Contributing to the further development of survey tools, the improvement of quality assurance as well as online databases and graphs
 - Data preparation, analysis, reporting and presentation of results
- Cooperation with research partners and higher education stakeholders throughout Europe
- Further development of HER's international networking and project activities
- Acquisition of international research and commissioned projects in the field of student and graduate research
- Presentation to an international audience (stakeholders and scientists) of the methods used to ensure international comparability and the results of research.
- Development of policy-relevant recommendations for action
- Scientific publications on the methodology and results of projects carried out with HER

Qualification profile

- Doctorate or Master's degree (with doctoral intention) in social or economic sciences with comprehensive training in quantitative, empirical social research
- Several years of professional experience in social science survey research in the field of higher education research, preferably student or graduate surveys
- Knowledge of the relevant topics and documents of European higher education policy (EU, Bologna process), in particular on the social dimension, employability and social outcomes of higher education
- Ability to write well-structured scientific texts as well as policy recommendations in English
- Confident appearance at presentations
- Fluent in English; readiness to travel
- Good knowledge of statistics software (e.g. SPSS, R)
- Experience in leading a team of researchers is an advantage
- Experience in the acquisition of international projects is an advantage
- Experience in working with international partners is an advantage

Our offer

Participation as a researcher and future project leader (f/m/d) in policy-relevant international research projects. We offer you challenging, varied and exciting work in a young and committed research group and the opportunity to further develop an ambitious research team. You will work in one of the world's most liveable cities: The institute is centrally located in the 8th district of Vienna and is easily accessible by public transport.

The wage for the advertised position depends strongly on your previous experiences. It amounts to at least 3,556€ gross per month (14x) depending on job grading in accordance with IHS wage scheme, but will be significantly higher if you have the appropriate qualifications. The extent of employment is 35 hours / week (full-time).

Application

The Institute for Advanced Studies attaches great importance to the protection of your personal data during the application process. Please read the [data protection regulations](#) in the application process carefully before submitting your data to us.

Please send your application documents with curriculum vitae, letter of motivation, certificates of service, proof of education and training as well as an independently written text sample with quantitative research results (publication, research report, etc.) to Martin Unger (unger@ihs.ac.at) by **1. September 2019**.

We look forward to receiving your application!