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The Department of Political Science invites applications for the position of a

Doctoral Researcher (m/f/d) in the Research Group on Comparative and German Politics (Salary Scale 13 TV-L, 65 % FTE)

to be appointed from 1 October 2021. The position is limited to three years. Working hours are limited to 65 % of a regular full-time position.

Responsibilities and duties

The position is part of the research project "[Courts under pressure: How social media change political discourses about the rule of law in modern democracies](#)" led by Prof. Dr. Christoph Hönnige, Dr. Philipp Köker (Leibniz University Hannover) and Prof. Dr. Dominic Nyhuis (UNC Chapel Hill). It is funded by the Ministry of Science and Culture (MWK) of Lower Saxony. The project analyses media discourses about the rule of law on social media and in print media in four countries using automatic text analysis. Emphasis is placed on analyzing right-wing populist attacks on high courts. Tasks of the successful applicant will include data collection and analysis, co-authoring publications, and independent research within the project.

Employment conditions

Prerequisite for employment is a completed scientific university degree in political science or a related subject (e.g., social science or communication studies), very good knowledge of quantitative methods, preferably in automated text analysis including relevant software packages (Python, R, or Stata), and a good command of English. Proficiency in a West Slavic language or Estonian, or in other European languages is an advantage. It is assumed that the successful candidate has an understanding of the basics of comparative research and an interest in the project.

The university aims to promote equality between women and men. For this purpose, the university strives to reduce under-representation in areas where a certain gender is under-represented. Women are under-represented in the salary scale of the advertised position. Therefore, qualified women are encouraged to apply. Moreover, we welcome applications from qualified men. Preference will be given to equally-qualified applicants with disabilities.

For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Christoph Hönnige (Email: c.hoennige@ipw.uni-hannover.de). Information about the research and teaching programme of the research group can be found at www.ipw.uni-hannover.de. Information about the project can be found [here](#).

Your application should consist of the following elements: (1) a cover letter outlining your motivation for applying and qualifications for the advertised position; (2) a curriculum vitae; (3) copies of your degree certificates; (4) a one-page summary of your MA thesis.



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Please send your application by 18th July 2021 as a single PDF document to

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