

At the University of Bremen the Collaborative Research Center 1342 "Global Dynamics of Social Policy" invites applications for the following academic position

**Doctoral Researcher in Social Sciences
(Political Science, Geography or related)**

Salary Scale TV-L 13, part-time 65%, start date: as soon as possible.

The position is a fixed term position until December 31, 2025.

Reference number A9/22.

The position is part of the Collaborative Research Center "Global Dynamics of Social Policy" (Globale Entwicklungsdynamiken von Sozialpolitik) funded by the German Research Foundation and will be located within the project:

INF: Development of the Global Welfare State System (WeSIS)

(Focus on political parties, socio-economic disparities and social policies)

Project Description

The Collaborative Research Centre 1342 (CRC 1342) "Global Dynamics of Social Policy", funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG) since January 2018, examines public social policy in a global and historical perspective. In the second phase of the CRC (January 2022 - December 2025), research will focus on how social policy programs have evolved in terms of coverage and generosity after their adoption. The CRC is divided into two project areas: Project Area A consists of six projects that examine the coverage and generosity of eight social policy areas across the globe. The eight projects of project area B examine dynamics related to coverage and benefit generosity in selected countries and regions from all continents.

The project INF is a transverse project encompassing political scientists, geographers, and computer scientists that provides basic resources for the CRC and engages in interdisciplinary research. Among the project goals is the further development of WeSIS – an interactive, web-based information system on the dynamics of social policies – both as a research tool and data portal. The successful applicant will be able to work in a vibrant environment inclined by computational social science methods. More specifically, we are looking for someone with an interest in analyzing the mutual influence of political parties, socio-economic disparities and social policies at the intersection of political science and human geography.

Responsibilities

- Eagerness to obtain a PhD thematically related to the interdisciplinary research
- Elaboration of the interplay of political parties, socio-economic disparities and social policies
- Data collection and analysis on socio-economic inequalities
- Data collection and analysis on political parties, party manifestos and related text data
- Support of the project team in general tasks

Requirements

- Master Degree in political science, geography or related fields
- Willingness to work at the intersection of political science and geography in an interdisciplinary and international research team
- Knowledge of quantitative methods in the social sciences and willingness to learn R
- Language skills: Proficient knowledge of English; working knowledge of German (or strong interest and willingness to learn German)

Desirable

- Expertise in R, Stata or Python as well as Geographical Information Systems (GIS) or quantitative text analysis is an asset

The University of Bremen has received a number of awards for its diversity policies and offers a family-friendly working environment as well as an international atmosphere.

The University is committed to a policy of providing equal employment opportunities for both men and women alike, and therefore strongly encourages women to apply for the positions offered. Applicants with disabilities will be considered preferentially in case of equal qualifications and aptitudes. The University of Bremen explicitly invites individuals with migration backgrounds to apply.

If you have any questions regarding the position, please contact Ivo Mossig or Nils Düpont.

Applications including a cover letter, CV, copies of degree certificates, should be submitted by 25.02.2022 electronically (including up to two PDF files; reference number) to Britta Schülzke (britta.schuelzke@uni-bremen.de)

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The costs of application and presentation cannot be reimbursed.