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## **Post-Doctoral Research Position at the Chair of Political Institutions (Prof. Jonathan Slapin) 80%**

### **Description of UZH unit**

The Department of Political Science at the University of Zurich (<http://www.ipz.uzh.ch>) invites applications for a postdoctoral position (80%) in the research group of Prof. Dr. Jonathan Slapin, who holds the Professorship in Political Institutions and European Politics.

### **Responsibilities**

The successful candidate will engage in research and teaching in the area of comparative politics, political institutions, parties, political behavior and/or European politics. Preference will be given to candidates with a demonstrated substantive interest in parties, legislatures, electoral institutions, or other topics related to the research priorities of the chair.

The successful candidate is expected to pursue their own research interests, contribute to research ongoing within the Chair, acquire funded projects and produce outstanding scholarship with publications in top journals and presses.

Teaching includes seminars or courses in English or German (approx. 2 - 4 hours weekly in 2 semesters of 14 weeks) and advising students.

### **Qualifications**

- PhD in political science or relevant neighboring discipline (completed or close to completion).
- Outstanding research potential in the area of comparative political institutions, broadly defined.
- Excellent quantitative methods skills (e.g., econometrics, psychometrics, computational methods) with knowledge of relevant statistical software (e.g. Stata, R, Python).
- Ability to work in a team and also to conduct independent research.
- Motivation to pursue an international academic career.
- Excellent command of English, knowledge of German is a plus.
- International experience is a plus.



### **We offer**

- Starting date: February 1, 2024 or later upon agreement.
- Duration of employment: 3 years with renewal for further 3 years contingent on research productivity, teaching quality and participation to departmental activities.
- Salary according to UZH/cantonal guidelines, approx. CHF 80,000 per year.
- Opportunities for possible additional teaching.
- Funding for conferences, additional training, and research.
- A highly motivated, engaged and supportive team.
- Excellent intellectual and working environment in a leading, international department.
- Career mentoring.

### **Place of work**

- Zurich

### **Further information**

- Applications should include: a letter of interest, CV including a list of publications, a writing sample, the contact details of 2 - 3 people willing to serve as references, and the following form:  
[http://www.ipz.uzh.ch/static/forms/download/additional\\_application\\_form.pdf](http://www.ipz.uzh.ch/static/forms/download/additional_application_form.pdf)
- Please send your application electronically as one single pdf file to the personnel office of Department of Political Science ([personal@ipz.uzh.ch](mailto:personal@ipz.uzh.ch))
- Review of Applications will begin on October 2, 2023 and will continue until the position is filled. Early applications are encouraged.
- Further inquiries can be directed to Jonathan Slapin ([slapin@ipz.uzh.ch](mailto:slapin@ipz.uzh.ch))