

b Universität Bern

Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences

Departement of Social Sciences

Institute of Communication and Media Studies (icmb)

## Job offer

At the Institute of Communication and Media Studies (icmb) of the University of Bern, a position is available as a

## PhD student (75-100%) / Post-doc (80-100%)

in political communication

The position will be available from September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 (or by appointment) for an initial period of three years. It is intended to serve the purpose of scientific qualification.

## Tasks:

- (potential for) collaboration in an SNF-sponsored cross-national research project about how the feeling of being left-behind by society influences political information usage and effects.
  Our project draws on the role of social identity and identity threats for political information behavior.
- development and implementation of own research ideas
- teaching of courses in the BA Social Sciences and supervision of BA thesis
- contribution to the general tasks of the institute

## **Requirements:**

- above-average degree in communication science, a related social science discipline and /or psychology
- strong interest in political communication
- very good skills in quantitative (surveys & experiments) and/or qualitative (interviews) methods of empirical social science
- willingness to present research at (inter-)national conferences and to publish in top journals
- ability to work in a team
- very good command in English (German and French is a plus)

We offer: An attractive working environment awaits you at the Institute of Communication and Media Studies at the University of Bern: a collegial team, cooperation and exchange, as well as the freedom to develop your own ideas. Employment adheres to the regulations of the Canton of Berne. Applications (letter of motivation including research interests / ideas, CV (incl. list of publications), certificates, a central chapter of the thesis / another publication and a recommendation letter) should be mailed as a PDF file by July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 to Prof. Dr. Silke Adam (silke.adam@unibe.ch). The talks will take place on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> / Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> of July. For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Silke Adam.