

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT / CALL FOR POSITIONS

The Swiss National Centre for Competence

LIVES: Overcoming Vulnerability in the Life Course

announces

28 doctoral positions

When not specified, the working place is either the University of Geneva or Lausanne.

The new **Swiss National Centre of Competence in Research LIVES on Life Course and Vulnerability starting the 1st of December 2010** offers a number of positions to outstanding doctoral students in the field of social sciences. We analyse stressful life conditions, individual resources and their activation, and well-being outcomes. Our aim is to combine advanced interdisciplinary basic research with efficient social policy interventions in order to contribute to a sustainable societal environment for human development. We offer to 28 doctoral students to be part of one or more research projects within LIVES, to receive an advanced theoretical background in life course research and an intensive training in longitudinal methodology, and of course to develop a personal doctoral project within a vibrant team. The scope of the new centre is interdisciplinary and stimulates doctoral students to search for international experiences.

28 doctoral positions in sociology, social psychology, psychology, socio-economics, political science or related fields (positions up to 4 years)

Requirements: The ideal candidates will have an interest in one or more of the following areas: migration; transition to adulthood; life course trajectories and methodology; social policies; family and intergenerational relationships; gender studies; stratification with strong interest in methodology; education, labour market and career (1 position on career research at University of Lausanne or Fribourg); labour market programs evaluation with solid knowledge in micro-econometrics; well-being stress processes (1 position is located in Bern requiring a master degree in (clinical) psychology, and an interest in divorce and separation); social inequalities, gerontology, social networks and social participation; statistics or programming applied to empirical social science. Interest in quantitative and/or qualitative methods is required, some experience is an advantage.

Languages: Proficiency in English is necessary, communication skills in more than one Swiss national language is desirable.

Starting date: 1st of January 2011 or to be agreed on

Contract duration: 2 up to 4 years

Deadline for application: 15th of October, 2010

Please send a curriculum vitae and a motivation letter specifying your main interest area(s) to Mme Doris Hanappi by mail: Doris.hanappi@unil.ch

The NCCR LIVES strongly encourages women to apply.