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The Faculty of Business, Economics and Social Sciences invites applications for a

## RESEARCH ASSOCIATE IN THE SUBJECT AREA JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION

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The position in accordance with Section 28 subsection 1 of the Hamburg higher education act (Hamburgisches Hochschulgesetz, HmbHG) commences on 1 December 2020.

This is a fixed term contract in accordance with Section 2 of the academic fixed-term labor contract act (Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz, WissZeitVG). The initial fixed term is three years. The position calls for 75% of standard work hours per week.\*

### RESPONSIBILITIES:

Research associates will be expected primarily to teach and conduct research. The research associate will also have the opportunity to pursue further academic qualifications, in particular a doctoral dissertation. At least one-third of set working hours will be made available for the research associate's own academic work.

### SPECIFIC DUTIES:

- Research and teaching duties in the area of communication and journalism in a digital context
- Development of a PhD thesis in the area of digital journalism, particularly concerning new roles and professions in news organizations
- Participation in publications, presentations, and conferences
- Support preparing project proposals for third-party funding
- Designing and conducting research in a team
- Planning and teaching of courses (three teaching hours per week)
- Supporting the organization of the research team and participation in the University's self-administration

\* Full-time positions currently comprise 39 hours per week.

## REQUIREMENTS:

- A university degree in a relevant field, i.e., Master's degree in communication science, journalism, and/or a comparable discipline
- Excellent knowledge of empirical research methods of social sciences, especially experience in ethnographic methods, surveys, and/or content analysis, background in statistics using SPSS, Stata or similar programs
- Affinity with and interest in learning methods of computational communication science
- Excellent language skills in English, German is an advantage
- Project management skills, distinct social skills, team spirit, reliability, and a high level of work motivation
- Working experience in the practice of (online) journalism is an advantage

The Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg promotes equal opportunity. As men are currently underrepresented in this job category at Universität Hamburg according to the evaluation conducted under the Hamburg act on gender equality (Hamburgisches Gleichstellungsgesetz, HambGleiG), we encourage men to apply for this position. Equally qualified and suitable male applicants will receive preference.

Qualified disabled candidates or applicants with equivalent status receive preference in the application process.

For further information, please contact [juliane.lischka@uni-hamburg.de](mailto:juliane.lischka@uni-hamburg.de) or consult our website at <https://www.wiso.uni-hamburg.de/en/fachbereich-sowi/ueber-den-fachbereich/fachgebiete/fachgebiet-journalistik.html>. Online interviews are planned for the week of 5 to 9 October 2020.

Applications should include a cover letter, a tabular curriculum vitae, and copies of degree certificate(s). Please send applications by 30 September 2020 as one pdf file to: [juliane.lischka@uni-hamburg.de](mailto:juliane.lischka@uni-hamburg.de) using the subject „Research associate professions“.

Please do not submit original documents as we are **not** able to return them. Any documents sub-mitted will be destroyed after the application process has concluded.