



The Vienna Doctoral School of Social Sciences promotes innovative, excellent, problem-oriented research that aspires to contribute to societal debates and address key global challenges. The cohorts trained and supported by the ViDSS are part of the vibrant research environment at the Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Vienna. ViDSS aims for the highest standards in doctoral training and close supervision to ensure a mastery of social scientific debates and relevant theories and methods.

The following doctoral position(s) are announced by the ViDSS or the departments supporting the ViDSS:

University Assistant (prae doc) at the Department of Communication under the supervision of Jörg Matthes (Advertising Research and/or Strategic Political Communication and Persuasion Research)

Communication studies is a social science with a diversity of research methods. Its core is the indirect public communication, transmitted by mass media. The Department of Communication of the University of Vienna is a subunit of the Faculty of Social Sciences.

Job Description:

Participation in research, teaching and administration:

- Participation in publications / academic articles / presentations
- We expect the successful candidate to sign a doctoral thesis agreement within 12–18 months.
- Participation in teaching and independent teaching of courses as defined by the collective agreement
- Supervision of students
- Contribution to the organisation of meetings, conferences, symposiums
- Contribution to the department administration

Profile:

- Postgraduate degree MA, MSc in communication studies or related field
- Interest in empirical content, reception and effects research, especially advertising research
- Profound knowledge of empirical social research, especially in quantitative methods
- Interest in international research focus
- Experience in external fundraising
- Didactic competence
- High ability to express yourself both orally and in writing
- Excellent command of written and spoken English
- High computer literacy
- Ability to work in teams
- Ability to time self-management
- Knowledge of university processes and structures advantageous

Duration of employment: 4 years

Extent of Employment: 30 hours/week

Job grading in accordance with collective bargaining agreement: §48 VwGr. B1 Grundstufe (praedoc) with relevant work experience determining the assignment to a particular salary grade.

The candidate who is selected for this position joins the ViDSS as student member.

Applications are to be submitted through the [Job Center of the University of Vienna \(reference number: 11258\)](#), no later than 16.09.2020.