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2 University Assistants (praedoc) at the Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology under the supervision of Janina Kehr (Medical Anthropology and Global Health)

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Job description:
- Independent research and development of a scientific profile through a PhD thesis
- Contribution to scientific publications and research projects
- Participation in organisation of conferences, meetings, symposiums
- Contribution to project application and (external) fundraising
- Teaching assignments according to the extent regulated by the collective agreement
- Examination activities
- Support of students
- Participation in evaluation activities and in quality assurance
- Participation in administration of the department

Profile:
- MA in Social and Cultural Anthropology or a related field of study
- Idea for a PhD project
- We expect the successful candidate to sign a doctoral thesis agreement within 12–18 months
- Excellent English skills
- Experience with empirical research
- Thematic fields of interest: Medical Anthropology, Global Health, Environmental Anthropology, STS
- Experience with ethnographic research
- Ability to work independently

More information

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.

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