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. The 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 Folker Hanusch

The Department of Communication of the University of Vienna, a subunit of the Faculty of Social Sciences, announces two vacant University Assistant prae doc positions within the field of Journalism Studies, working with Prof. Folker Hanusch. The employment contract is initially limited to 1.5 years and is automatically extended to a total of 4 years, unless the employer issues a declaration of non-renewal after a maximum of 12 months.

Job description:
- Participation in research, teaching and administration
- Contribution to research projects
- Contribution to publications
- Contribution in the organization of conferences, meetings, symposiums
- Participation in development of applications and third-party funding
- We expect the successful candidate to sign a doctoral thesis agreement within 12–18 months
- Teaching assignments are possible 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:
- Postgraduate degree MA, MSc (or equivalent) in communication studies or a related field
- Interest in one or more of following areas is an advantage: comparative journalism research, journalism and cultural diversity, journalism and change, new forms of journalism, lifestyle journalism, journalism and new technologies
- Methodological competence in the fields of survey research, in-depth interviews and/or content analysis
- Ability to data analysis, SPSS and/or MAXQDA competencies are an advantage
- Knowledge of principles of teaching
- High command of written and oral language
- Excellent level of computer literacy
- Excellent English skills both written and spoken
- Ability to work in teams
- Knowledge of university structures and processes advantageous

More information

Duration of employment: 4 years
Extent of Employment: 30 hours/week
Remuneration in accordance with the collective bargaining agreement: §48 VwGr. B1 Grundstufe (praedoc)
Relevant work experience can be taken into consideration for determining the pay grade.

The candidates who are selected for these positions join the ViDSS as student members.
Applications are to be submitted through the Job Center of the University of Vienna (reference number: 12826), no later than 14.03.2022.