Osnabrück University’s Institute for Migration Research and Intercultural Studies (IMIS) invites applications for the position of

Research Fellow  
(wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiterin / wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter)  
(Salary level 15 TV-L, 100 %)

to head the Junior Research Group  
“The Scientific Production of Knowledge about Migration”,  
sponsored by the Volkswagen Foundation funding initiative “Niedersächsisches Vorab”

to start as soon as possible for a period of five years.

The junior research group “The Scientific Production of Knowledge about Migration” investigates the genesis and the state of research into the backgrounds, conditions and consequences of human spatial movement. Starting from the Federal Republic of Germany, it looks at the institutionalisation of migration research, networks of researchers, the development trends of scientific concepts and methodologies, as well as the interrelation of scientific work with political and public debates on migration.

Description of responsibilities:
- Leadership and coordination of the junior research group “The Scientific Production of Knowledge about Migration”, which will consist of three further research fellows (doctoral candidates and postdocs)
- Conceptual design of innovative individual projects for the junior research group
- Development and realization of one’s own larger individual project
- Cooperation with participating researchers at IMIS from the disciplines of Geography, History, Law and Sociology regarding concepts and content

Required qualifications:
- Candidates are required to hold a university degree with very good marks in the Social or Cultural Sciences or the Humanities, as well as an above-average doctoral degree.
- In addition, candidates must have a very good knowledge of migration research, including its theories and empirical methods, and proven experience with international migration research, documented by top-ranking publications.

Desirable qualifications:
- Experience in leading scientific projects
- Experience in interdisciplinary research
- Experience in project development
- Excellent communication skills

We offer:
- An interdisciplinary work environment at a nationally and internationally established and highly connected research centre
- The ability to select, supervise and lead a group of junior researchers
- The opportunity to further develop, discuss and implement innovative research ideas and perspectives

The position is available on a full-time or part-time basis.
Osnabrück University has been certified as a family-friendly university committed to helping parents and carers balance their family and work life.

The university aspires to ensure equal opportunities for men and women and strives to work towards a gender balance in schools or departments where new appointments are made.

If equally qualified candidates apply, preference will be given to those with special needs.

Applications with the usual documents (CV, list of publications, list of courses taught, academic certificates) as well as a comprehensive conceptual design of the topic area “The Scientific Production of Knowledge about Migration” (max. 15,000 characters) should be submitted electronically (in a single PDF no larger than 5MB) to imis@uni-osnabrueck.de no later than October 7, 2018. We look forward to receiving your application.

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