

To work on three collaborative research projects, the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen Development Economics Research Group announces positions for

up to 9 Doctoral Researchers and up to three Post-Doctoral Researchers in development economics or closely related disciplines.

All doctoral researchers will be able to complete a Ph.D. as part of a structured Ph.D. program. Post-doctoral researchers can also pursue their own research within the research agenda of the following three projects:

The first project, funded by the Ministry of Science and Culture in Lower Saxony is called 'reducing poverty risk in developing countries.' It includes projects for dynamic poverty measurement, the measurement of vulnerability to poverty, the influence of mother and child health on poverty risk, the role of risk and investments in micro companies, and the role of informal networks on poverty reduction. The first two projects require particular strengths in quantitative and statistical modelling, while the other three projects require particular expertise in empirical development economics. In this project there are 5 Ph.D. positions and 1 post.doc position available, each for a duration of three years. For more information, please see http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/news/65596.html.

The other two projects are part of the 'GrOW' (Growth and Economic Opportunities of Women) Program, funded by IDRC, the Hewlett Foundation, and DFID. The projects include partners in South Africa, India, and Holland. The first one is about the impact of economic growth on the economic empowerment of women. The projects managed by Göttingen will include a project to develop a conceptual framework for this linkage, econometric analysis of the impact of growth on labor force participation, the influence of growth on occupational and sectoral segregation by gender, and the linkage between female employment and domestic violence. The second project consists of a systematic review of scientific findings of the impact of gender inequality on economic growth. For both these projects, there are 4 Ph.D. positions available (running for 1-2 years) as well as 2 post-doc positions also running for 1-2 years. For more information, please see: http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/news/65596.html.

To qualify for the Ph.D. positions, applicants must hold an outstanding degree (diploma, master or magister level) in economics, econometrics, or statistics. A specialization in development economics issues is desirable. Further qualifications are strong analytical skills, a strong quantitative background, proven interest in topics related to these research projects, strong computer skills and very good English language skills. Requirements for the post-doc positions are a outstanding Ph.D. in the areas of development economics, statistics or econometrics, and proven interest in the research topics of the projects.

The positions will be based in Göttingen, but will require international travel for research visits, data collection, internships and research exchange.

As equal opportunities employer, Georg-August-Universität Göttingen intends to promote women and men in the context of statutory requirements. For this reason suitably qualified women are specifically invited to apply. Equally qualified applicants with disabilities will be given preferential treatment.

The positions are available as of August 2015 and the deadline of applications is July 24, 2015.

Please send applications, including a CV, copies of degrees, a writing sample, and names of two academic referees to devecon.application@uni-goettingen.de; please also indicate which project would are applying for.

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