Student Assistant position at the Max Planck Institute for Human Development

(Harding Center for Risk Literacy)

The Harding Center for Risk Literacy is seeking a student assistant to assist with a variety of projects related to the design and evaluation of studies on risk and risk literacy, the assessment and coding of scientific evidence, and in designing, conducting, and helping to analyze experimental studies. Applicants with an interest in digitalization (e.g., digital risks, privacy concerns) are encouraged to apply. Applicants should have a general interest in research on risk and decision making and seek experience evaluating and critically analyzing scientific evidence, reviewing and synthesizing literature, and conducting experimental studies. The position pays 11.15-12.97 Euros per hour (dependent on qualifications) for up to 83h/month and will be offered for 6 months with the possibility of a longer-term extension.

The position also offers excellent learning opportunities and working conditions: the applicant will have the opportunity to participate in academic activities (i.e., talks and workshops) and to gain knowledge and experience working within the groups' research program.

Requirements: The applicant should have a background in psychology, cognitive science, or empirical social sciences, solid knowledge of research methodology and statistics (essential), have some experience with conducting literature reviews (additional training will be provided), and be proficient in English (speech and writing). Programming skills are advantageous but not mandatory.

Please take into consideration that applicants should be enrolled in a program in the field of psychology, cognitive science, or a related field. Applicants should be enrolled at a German University for the duration of the position. Applicants who are approaching the completion of their bachelor’s degree and who intend on enrolling in a Master’s program will also be considered.

To apply, please submit an application consisting of a short cover letter describing your research interests, motivations, and relevant experience, and a CV (plus PDF copies of supporting materials). Please refer to this advertisement in your application.
Please email your application (motivation letter to be submitted in English) to Michelle McDowell (mcdowell@mpib-berlin.mpg.de). Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.