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Scientific Collaborator (Postdoc level) in the Longitudinal Study on Children and Youth (COCON) (70% - 80%)

At the Jacobs Center for Productive Youth Development, an international and interdisciplinary research center, the large-scale longitudinal study COCON (www.cocon.uzh.ch) has been designed to investigate children's and adolescents' life course and competence development. The study focuses on the longitudinal interplay of social opportunities and constraints, socialization contexts, and child and adolescent development. Data collections span more than a than a decade in children's lives.

Tasks and Responsibilities

- Collaboration in the longitudinal study COCON;
- Conducting advanced scientific analyses based on COCON data and preparing manuscripts for publication in international peer-reviewed journals;
- Collaboration in preparing symposia or workshops at international conferences.

Work load / Opening of position

- 70% -- 80%; for 12 months (with the possibility of extension to 16 months);
- As soon as possible or by arrangement.

Requirements

- PhD in the social sciences, preferably in sociology or psychology achieved with high honors;
- Interest in and knowledge of sociological / psychological research on the early life course, socialization contexts, child and adolescent development;
- Excellent knowledge of methods and statistics for the quantitative analysis of longitudinal data with proven experience in growth curve modeling techniques, growth mixture modeling, SEM, etc;
- Skillful handling of statistical programs (e.g., STATA, Mplus);
- Excellent knowledge of English and proficiency in German;
- A liking for working in a smaller, dynamic, scientific team.

We offer

- Opportunity to do research with an excellent and unique database;
- Latitude to develop research questions and opportunities to conduct own research;
- Motivated and cooperative team.

Deadline: March 31, 2018: applications with usual documents to buchmann@jacobscenter.uzh.ch

