

Freiburg Institute for Basic Income Studies

As part of the FRIBIS Junior Scientific Group the Freiburg Institute for Basic Income Studies (FRIBIS) is offering a total of



6 doctoral positions (research associates)

on a temporary contract for an initial period of 3 years, at 75 % on the TV-L 13 salary scale.

FRIBIS is an interdisciplinary institute that aims to combine scientific research with political and civil debates as well as political consultation relating to the Universal Basic Income. FRIBIS supports a worldwide network of scientists, political decision-makers and societal actors who have the joint goal of providing answers to the global challenges of our time by means of a Universal Basic Income. Accordingly, all members of the Junior Scientific Group are expected to work through interdisciplinary cooperation.

We are specifically looking for applicants from the following disciplines:

- Education
- Social Anthropology
- Computer Science
- Psychology
- Theology, especially Caritas Science and the Economics of Carework
- Economics

We also encourage the application of people from related disciplines.

• Education Science

The prerequisite for an application is an interest in researching subjective beliefs regarding the concept of a basic income as well as its potential effects. The application should contain a research idea (max. 1 page). We will consider the quality of the research project as well as the applicant's ability to work in an interdisciplinary context applying psychological, sociological and philosophical approaches. Other important criteria will be a solid statistical knowledge, organisational skills and the ability to work in a team. For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Matthias Nückles (matthias.nueckles@ezw.uni-freiburg.de).

Social Anthropology

Applicants from the anthropology field should present their own research project that investigates questions regarding a basic income and transfer payments towards the Global South. Apart from the quality of the proposition, we will consider the applicants' experience in qualitative empirical research and their organisational skills and ability to work in a team. We especially encourage applications from the Global South; in the interest of a more symmetrical anthropology, the research projects will also consider European countries. For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Gregor Dobler (gregor.dobler@ethno.uni-freiburg.de).

Computer Science

Applicants should have a sound background in the fields of Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence as well as some knowledge of simulations. An interest in research questions regarding a Universal Basic Income is also recommended. Additional relevant criteria include strong programming skills, a sound formal education, experience in research as well as organisational skills and the ability to work in a team. For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Bernhard Nebel (nebel@informatik.uni-freiburg.de).

Psychology

Applicants from the field of psychology should present their own research idea (max. 1 page) that focuses on the cognitive-affective valuation and/or potential cognitive effects of a basic income or transfer payments. Apart from the quality of the proposition, important criteria include the applicant's experience with empirical research as well as a sound knowledge of statistics, organisational skills and the ability to work in a team. For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Andrea Kiesel (kiesel@psychologie.uni-freiburg.de).

• Theology, especially Caritas Science and Economics of Carework

Applicants from the field of theology, especially Caritas and Diakonie as well as those who have worked in the economics of care work and related fields should present a research idea (max. 2 pages) which should have an empirical orientation and focus on questions regarding a basic income, income equality and innovation in the field of Care Economy (healthcare and social services). Apart from the quality of the proposal, we will consider the applicant's experience with interdisciplinary, empirical research as well as organisational skills and the ability to work in a team. For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Klaus Baumann (klaus.baumann@theol.uni-freiburg.de).

• Economics

Applicants from the field of economics will work with the ordoliberal and social basis of the Universal Basic Income. Apart from an ability to formulate theoretical debates on these topics, we are looking for skills and experience in empirical research and computer-aided experiments in the Social Contract Lab (SoCoLab) or in carrying out online surveys. Applicants are expected to present a research idea (max. 2 pages) and to have experience in interdisciplinary research with regard to political philosophy as well as organisational skills and the ability to work in a team. For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Bernhard Neumärker (bernhard.neumaerker@vwl.uni-freiburg.de).

Your Tasks

Involvement in the development of research projects, scientific publications and presentations on national and international conferences. Assistance with organisational tasks and scientific management.

Your Application

A master's degree (or equivalent qualification) in a relevant field must be issued by the date of employment at the latest. Please send an exposé with your research project regarding the Universal Basic Income with your application documents by **28.02.2012** as an email to **application@fribis.uni-freiburg.de**

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