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The Gerontopsychology and Gerontology program at the University of Zurich Department of Psychology invites applications for

1 PhD Student position

to join our research team. Our program aims at increasing capacity in research on social and dyadic activity analytics and aging that combines longitudinal approaches to study laboratory-based single-occasion and high-density assessments with real life activity and context assessments. An interest in the use of participatory research approaches including stakeholder involvement in multiple phases of the research is required. The PhD student position will work closely with the dyadic interaction activity analytics laboratory of the Psychology Department and research groups at the University Research Priority Program "Dynamics of Healthy Aging" that hosts several research groups focusing on diverse psychological, behavioral and medical foundations underlying the maintenance of health and quality of life in older adulthood.

Core Tasks

- Design and conduct micro- and meso-longitudinal research on social and dyadic interaction activities including the use of high-density laboratory assessments and real life and context measurements
- advanced analysis of within-person and within-dyad associations between social activities across contexts and their relations to other psychological activity indicators
- publication of research findings in international journals
- co-supervision of Bachelor and Master students and research interns

Requirements

We seek a highly motivated graduate student with a desire to develop a research career and with a passion for science. We further expect:

- an excellent final degree (master degree or equivalent) in a relevant field, such as psychology, or gerontology (completed before appointment),
- good knowledge in lifespan psychological and social aging theories and methods, including ambulatory assessment methods,
- pronounced interest in socio-affective processes related to healthy aging in close relationships,
- first experiences in statistical methods like longitudinal and multilevel data analysis and dynamical systems analysis, or pronounced interest to acquire these methods,
- basic programming skills, or a willingness to develop these,
- excellent standard of written and spoken German; very good standard of written and spoken English,
- autonomous and reliable, goal-oriented working style,
- high motivation to work collaboratively within a team, and
- a genuine interest in interdisciplinary collaboration.

We offer excellent working conditions, a stimulating environment and Zurich's high quality of life. The PhD candidate will be supervised by Prof. Mike Martin and can be a member of the URPP Dynamics of Healthy Aging (www.dynage.uzh.ch).

To apply, send a CV, a motivation statement, transcripts, and contact details for two referees (including e-mail addresses) **in a single PDF document with the applicant's name as file name** to Prof. Dr. Mike Martin (m.martin@psychologie.uzh.ch). Applications are accepted until **January 9, 2019** or until the position is filled. For further questions, please contact Prof. Dr. Martin. The position will start on **February 1, 2019**, or as soon as possible thereafter, and is for three years (two years with an option for an extension of up to three years in total).