

Institut für Klimafolgenforschung - Wissenschaft



Klima braucht Köpfe. Das Potsdam-Institut für Klimafolgenforschung e.V. (PIK) untersucht wissenschaftlich und gesellschaftlich relevante Fragestellungen. Es ist eine der weltweit führenden Forschungseinrichtungen auf seinem Gebiet und bietet Natur- und SozialwissenschaftlerInnen aus aller Welt beste Voraussetzungen für exzellente interdisziplinäre Forschung.

Student Research Assistant - Climate Policy Evaluation (m/f/d)

(Position number: 25-2026 SHK EVIDENCE) The position is funded for up to 12 months, with the possibility of extension, and for 10 to 20 hours per week. The remuneration is determined according to the guidelines of the TdL. The hourly rate for student assistants with a Bachelor's degree is set to be 15,20 € under collective bargaining agreement (without a Bachelor's degree 13,98 €).

City: Potsdam; Starting date (earliest): 01/10/26; Duration: funded for up to 12 months; Remuneration: hourly rate for student assistants with a Bachelor's degree is set to be 15,20 € under collective bargaining agreement (without 13,98 €); Reference number: 25-2026 SHK EVIDENCE; Closing date: 12/08/26

Tasks

Key responsibilities:

- supporting the development and curation of the What Works Climate Solutions (WWCS) evidence bank which will house a comprehensive, global body of literature on the evaluation of climate mitigation and adaption policies
- contributing to the systematic literature search by screening abstracts and identifying relevant empirical studies
- conducting full-text screening of eligible studies and extracting relevant quantitative and qualitative information covering emissions and broader socio-economic outcomes
- assessing the methodological quality and risk of bias of included studies
- support the team in establishing a WWCS Crowd platform and leveraging citizenscience to support the development of accessible evidence on climate solutions
- supporting coding, analysis, and visualization of data
- ad hoc support to the WWCS project team, including tasks related to the organization and promotion of the WWCS Summit in April 2027 and other associated events

Requirements

You are a Bachelor or Master student, enrolled at a German university, and ideally meet the following requirements:

- successful student with a background in economics, quantitative social or political science, environmental science, geography, ecology or related fields
- good understanding of empirical research methods and causal inference
- ability and motivation to critically assess empirical studies and reflect on their methodological approaches
- interest in evidence-based policy evaluation and climate policy research
- prior knowledge of climate change mitigation approaches and climate policy
- previous experience in systematic literature reviews and/or meta-analyses, or a strong interest in developing knowledge in this area, is desirable
- experience with data analysis and coding in programs such as R and/or Py-thon is an asset

What we offer

We offer:

- writing a thesis as part of the research project might be possible, depending on your interests and our availabilities
- the chance to be part of an engaged, interdisciplinary team
- an attractive working space at the EUREF-Campus in Berlin Schöneberg
- flexi-time and mobile working (up to 50% of your hours)
- a subsidized travel card or Deutschland-Ticket Job

Application

Please apply by 12.08.2026 directly via our application form below this job advertisement on our website.

For further information or to discuss the position please contact Harry Fearnough.

More information at <https://stellenticket.de/205709/UP/>
Offer visible until 12/08/26

