

Max Planck Institute for Human Development - Center for Adaptive Rationality



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Student Research Assistant

The Center for Adaptive Rationality directed by Ralph Hertwig at the Max Planck Institute for Human Development (Berlin) is seeking applicants for a position as Student Research Assistant to assist the ongoing research in all phases of the scientific process.

City: Berlin; Starting date (earliest): 01/01/26; Duration: minimum 6 months;
Remuneration: The remuneration without a Bachelor's degree is 15,18 €/h (Research Assistant), in the Master's degree 15,84€/h (Scientific Assistant).; Closing date: 31/10/25

Working field

The Center for Adaptive Rationality directed by Ralph Hertwig at the Max Planck Institute for Human Development (Berlin) is seeking applicants for a position as Student Research Assistant to assist the ongoing research in all phases of the scientific process. Research assistants are usually employed on a basis of 43–86h a month. The position lasts for 6 months minimum and will be prolonged given mutual interest. The anticipated start date is January 1st 2026 or later. The remuneration without a Bachelor's degree is 15,18 €/h (Research Assistant), in the Master's degree 15,84€/h (Scientific Assistant).

Tasks vary greatly, including (but not limited to):

Conducting literature reviews

Coding quantitative and qualitative data

Proofing and formatting scientific materials (e.g., experiments, research papers, references, incl. using tools such as Overleaf, Zotero, etc.)

Assisting in data collection (Qualtrics, LimeSurvey, etc.)

Piloting studies

Requirements

Enrolled in a Bachelor's or Master's program at a German university (cognitive science, psychology or related field)

Excellent communication skills in English

Highly organized and independent

Flexibility in task management and ability to handle varied responsibilities

Interest in decision-making and adaptive rationality

Motivation to acquire skills and experience in the Center's research areas

Desired qualifications (not all are necessary to apply):
German proficiency
Coding knowledge (R, Python)
Familiarity with version control systems (GitHub/GitLab)

What we offer

Flexible working hours

Work in an international and interdisciplinary team focused on empowering people to make good decisions in a complex and changing world

Opportunity to gain a wide range of experiences and skills in a dynamic research environment

Application

The Max Planck Society strives for gender and diversity equality. We welcome applications from all backgrounds. The Max Planck Society is further committed to increasing the number of individuals with disabilities in its workforce and therefore encourages applications from such individuals.

Please send your application electronically to Linda Kerbl (arc-jobs@mpib-berlin.mpg.de) using the subject line "Application Roaming Student RA ARC". Your application should include the following documents in a single PDF document:

- (a) a short motivation letter
- (b) CV without a photo
- (c) relevant school/university certificates and references

Applications will be considered until October 31, 2025.

Here you will find the data protection declaration for the processing of personal data within the scope of your application. https://www.mpib-berlin.mpg.de/1589569/en_infos_bewerbung-23-01-17.pdf

More information at <https://stellenticket.de/198381/TUB/>
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