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Vienna Doctoral School
in Cognition, Behavior and Neuroscience

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2 VDS CoBeNe uni:docs praedoc positions available

In the field of Behavioral & Cognitive Biology. Deadline 31.07.2022.

The University of Vienna (20 faculties and centres, 179 fields of study, approx. 10.000 members of staff, about 90.000 students) seeks to fill the position of

2 University Assistants (praedoc)
of the VDS CoBeNe uni:docs Fellowship Programme

Two 3-year Univ.Ass. praedoc (PhD) positions are fully paid (30 hours-week) and are based at the Department of Behavioral and Cognitive Biology at the Faculty of Life Sciences, University of Vienna, Austria. The working language at the department is English and we welcome early career researchers from all over the world. The PhD candidates will be embedded in the newly founded Vienna Doctoral School for Cognition, Behavior and Neuroscience (VDS CoBeNe) at the University of Vienna. The main goal of VDS CoBeNe is quality assurance in PhD training and education. The doctoral school stands for promotion of inter- and trans-disciplinary knowledge exchange. **Reference number: 13136**

Extent of Employment: 30.0 hours/week
Job grading in accordance with collective bargaining agreement: §48 VwGr. B1 Grundstufe (praedoc) with relevant work experience determining the assignment to a particular salary grade.

Job Description:
With this topically open call, we look for highly motivated candidates with innovative ideas. Applications shall include a proposal of a research project relevant to any research areas in Behavioral and Cognitive Biology. The group leaders aim to understand cognition and behavior in human and non-human animals from a broad comparative perspective, focusing on proximate (mechanistic and developmental) and ultimate (phylogenetic and adaptive) research questions, which are investigated in the field, in urban environments, and in our laboratories. Within VDS CoBeNe, our program stands out for its evolutionary approach with the focus on whole organisms interacting with their environment. We integrate various conceptual and methodological approaches from biology (e.g. physiology, ecology, and neuroscience), communication research (e.g. bioacoustics, linguistics, and musicology) and psychology (e.g. comparative and developmental psychology).

Expected participation as UniVie praedoc:
• in research, teaching and administration in the departmental context • in research projects and research funding applications
• in publications / academic articles / presentations • in teaching and independent convening of courses as defined by the collective agreement • in co-supervision of students • in the organisation of meetings, conferences, symposia

Profile:
• Above average Master's degree or similar in either biology, zoology, psychology, neuroscience, engineering, or computer science
• Proficient knowledge of English • Excellent academic standing • Research experience in analysis of behavior (or similar complex systems) • Strong computational, programming and statistical skills • Genuine interest in studying behavior from an interdisciplinary perspective

Further desirable qualifications: • Previous experience in studying behavior • Previous experience in field work, video and/ or sound analysis, image processing, computer vision • Previous experience in working in a research team.

Applications in English as one PDF (max. 5 MB) including an academic CV, a motivation letter (max. two pages) incl. name and email address of three references, and a research proposal (max. five pages excl. references, 11 pt., 1,5 line spacing) to be submitted via the recruiting tool Apply@VDSCoBeNe until July 31st, 2022. Therefore, you have to first register yourself at the University of Vienna here. Planned starting date is fall 2022. For specific questions please contact vds.cobene@univie.ac.at.

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