



The Department of Political Science (IPZ) and the Institute for Asian and Oriental Studies (AOI) at the University of Zurich invite applications for a

Head of Research Area “Politics of Contemporary China” (permanent position, 80-100%)

The successful candidate will be responsible for research and teaching in comparative politics focusing on the People’s Republic of China and the Greater China Region. Within this broader thematic area, specialized attention might be given to issues such as government and politics, authoritarianism and censorship, political development, Chinese foreign affairs, or geopolitical developments in East Asia and beyond. Excellent language skills in Mandarin Chinese (oral and written) are a must. In terms of methods, field research experience in the PRC, as well as a willingness to teach qualitative and/or mixed methods are also desirable.

The University of Zurich offers a dynamic and collaborative work environment with an international orientation, as well as generous support for research and teaching activities. The position comes with a research budget of 3000 CHF/year. In addition, the holder of the position is eligible to apply for Swiss National Science Foundation funding, as well as many other grant programs in Switzerland and abroad. The teaching load is 5 hours per week during the teaching periods (2x14 weeks per year) plus advising. The position also involves cooperating with the University of Zurich’s Institute of Asian and Oriental Studies. The salary is approximately 110.000CHF/year at 100% employment (80-100% are negotiable). The start date of the position is 1st of February 2025 or upon agreement.

Applicants should hold a PhD degree in political science, public administration, international relations, Chinese studies with a political science specialization or in a related field at the time of application and have a strong record of academic achievements in the relevant areas. Teaching may be carried out in English, but knowledge of German is an asset. The University of Zurich aims to increase the proportion of women and diversity in research and teaching, and thus explicitly invites applications from suitably qualified individuals.

Please upload your application electronically as one pdf-file comprising your motivation letter, CV, publication list, transcripts, research and teaching statements, and the names of at least two reference persons with the following link:

<https://www.ipz.uzh.ch/de/ueber-uns/offene-stellen/2024-HoRA-China.html>

Deadline for applications is 20th of May 2024. Job interviews will be held early July 2024.

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