



**University of  
Zurich<sup>UZH</sup>**

**Full position Oberassistentz (Postdoctoral Research Fellow) from 8/2012**

Starting in August 2012, the position of an Oberassistent/in is available in the workgroup for Psychological Methods, Evaluation and Statistics at the University of Zurich.

The research focus of the workgroup is the development of new statistical methods for psychometrics. The duties of the job holder include

- the development, validation and application of new psychometric methods as well as their implementation, preferably in the open-source software R,
- the presentation of research results in journal articles and at international conferences with a methodological focus, but also the communication of the results to and the cooperation with applied research groups and
- a moderate amount of independent teaching as well as the supervision of Bachelor and Master theses.

The position is intended for academic qualification and offers the opportunity for independent research and acquisition of third party funding as well as formal qualification (such as a Habilitation). The position is initially limited to three years with the opportunity of extension to a maximum of six years (as usual for qualification positions in the Swiss university system). A shorter stay in the sense of a PostDoc phase is also possible. The position is situated at the Department of Psychology at the University of Zurich and offers an outstanding work- and research environment as well as attractive gratification.

Successful applicants have a degree and PhD in psychology with a strong emphasis on methodology or a degree and PhD in statistics or a related discipline with a strong interest in psychological research questions, previous experience in item-response-theory, programming skills and publication experience as well as very good English language skills.

Applications with the usual documents plus a single-page summary of the dissertation topic in English should be sent by February 15th 2012 to:

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