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## **Job Advertisement for the Global LGBTIQ+ Health Project: Postdoctoral Position**

**Job Advertisement:** 3-year Postdoctoral Position for the Global LGBTIQ+ Health Project

**Position:** Postdoctoral Position in Social Psychology & Intergroup Relations

**Location:** University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland

**Employment Type:** SNF PhD Position starting 01.04.2026

**Language Requirement:** Fluent in English.

**Application Deadline:** 31.01.2026

**Employment:** 100% (can be reduced if desired by the successful candidate)

The Department of Psychology at the University of Zurich invites applications for a Postdoctoral position in Social Psychology and Intergroup Relations, supervised by incoming SNSF-Professor Tabea Hässler.

### **About the Position:**

This three-year position provides a valuable opportunity for motivated early-career researchers interested in exploring topics related to the LGBTIQ+ community. The role is full-time (100%) but can be adjusted to a reduced workload if desired by the successful candidate, such as to accommodate caregiving or other responsibilities. A minimum employment level of 60% is required.

The postdoctoral researcher will become part of the Global LGBTIQ+ Health Project - an active global research collaboration led by SNSF-Professor Tabea Hässler. Together with over 100 scholars from 70 countries from all continents, we will investigate how individual factors (e.g., group membership, coping mechanisms), group-based factors (e.g., prejudice, discrimination, social relations, social support), and structural factors (e.g., laws, social climate) affect the well-being and health of LGBTIQ+ people. We will examine psychological health disparities (e.g., depression, anxiety, self-harming behavior, suicidality), physical health issues (e.g., substance abuse, risky sexual behavior), but also queer joy, well-being, and good health. By fostering collaboration among researchers, statistical experts, stakeholders, and key institutions, we aim to create a platform for collective learning and coordinated action, generating urgently needed knowledge and evidence-based solutions that can influence science, policy, and practice globally.

### **Key Responsibilities:**

The postdoctoral researcher will play a crucial role in the project management. They will assist the principal investigator with a variety of research tasks, which include managing the translation of the questionnaire, programming the survey, providing feedback on pre-registrations by the subgroups, troubleshooting issues, preparing and analyzing data, and facilitating workshops in Zurich. They will also engage in outreach activities, such as writing descriptive summary reports. In addition, the postdoctoral researcher will take the lead on



several manuscripts and will contribute to a meta-science manuscript aimed at enhancing global science initiatives. There will be opportunities for collaboration with leading scholars on specific subtopics within the broader project, allowing for international experience through partnerships with prominent figures in the field of Social Psychology, Health Research, and Public Policy. They will also present their work at international scientific conferences. Moreover, the postdoctoral researcher will co-author at least one manuscript with a PhD student, assuming a supervisory role to develop their mentoring skills while co-supervising the PhD candidate alongside the principal investigator.

### **Why Join Us?**

- **Impactful Experience:** Contribute to meaningful research and outreach activities that support LGBTIQ+ rights, well-being, and health at a global level.
- **Supportive Environment:** Work in a collaborative and inclusive team that values diverse perspectives and offers fair working conditions.
- **International Experience:** The global team unites scholars, practitioners, and key institutions across Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, North America, and Oceania. You will collaborate with established scholars from around the world and attend international conferences.

### **Qualifications:**

- PhD degree or equivalent in (Social or Clinical) Psychology or a related field
- Strong interest in psychological research and LGBTIQ+ research
- Publications in peer-reviewed journals
- Project management skills
- Experience with quantitative research methods and statistical analysis (e.g., R)
- Knowledge of qualitative research methods is a plus
- Very good written and spoken English; knowledge of or willingness to acquire German
- Cultural sensitivity
- Ability to work as part of a team and independently
- Supervision experiences are a plus
- Good written and verbal communication skills
- Interest in and connection to the LGBTIQ+ community

### **How to Apply:**

If you are enthusiastic about global research and LGBTIQ+ issues, as well as bridging science and the wider public, and meet the qualifications listed, we would love to hear from you! Please send your CV, a cover letter, relevant work samples (i.e., PhD thesis, 1-3 scientific publications, outreach work - if available), and the names as well as contact details of two to three referees *as one PDF-file* to [tabea.haessler@uzh.ch](mailto:tabea.haessler@uzh.ch).