

The University of Mannheim is a leading academic institution with a particular strength in the social and economic sciences. We offer a vibrant academic environment that fosters evidence-based research and innovative teaching. The School of Social Sciences houses research and teaching in the field of Political Science, Psychology, Social Data Science, and Sociology. To further strengthen the collaboration between the School and the Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES), we are taking applications from exceptional candidates to contribute research and teaching to the school and the MZES. We are looking forward to appointing a new colleague as soon as possible as a

Full Professor in Social Data Science and Social Science Methodology (W3, Chair)

in Sociology. The preferred starting date is Februar 1, 2027.

Tasks	Requirements
• Research and teaching in the fields of social data science and methods of empirical social research • Research aligns with sociological research at the Mannheim Center for European Social Research (MZES) • Teaching in the undergraduate and graduate programs, including the interdisciplinary study program in social data science, especially in quantitative methods • Engagement with the social science doctoral program of the Graduate School of Economic and Social Sciences (GESS) • Active participation in academic governance	• Innovative research and teaching in social data science and methods of empirical social research • In addition, there should be at least one substantive sociological research focus that aligns with the empirical-analytical sociology represented in Mannheim and extends it substantively • Strong record of scholarly accomplishment and publications in renowned peer-reviewed outlets • Experience in or potential for solicitation of outstanding competitive third-party funding • Strong network in the field of sociology • Compatibility with sociological research at the Mannheim Center for European Social Research (MZES) • Strong didactic skills • University degree, pedagogical suitability, a doctoral degree and additional post-doctoral scientific accomplishments (e.g., habilitation) or equivalent performance within or outside of the higher education sector as specified by § 47 LHG of the State of Baden-Württemberg. • A personal presence at the university and willingness to relocate to the region are highly desirable • Non-German-speaking applicants are expected to acquire sufficient German language skills within the first three years of their employment



The University of Mannheim values a competitive international research and teaching environment. We are convinced that innovation and excellence in research is bolstered by diversity in all dimensions. The university aims to maintain a respectful place of work where all colleagues are able to contribute and develop further. The University of Mannheim expressly welcomes applications from qualified female academics. Applications from persons with disabilities will be given preferential

treatment in the case of equal qualification. We are interested in what moves you and how you can drive research and teaching, but not what you look like. You should feel free not to include photos with your application and not to report your marital status. Parental and care periods are taken into account in evaluating applications when these are identified. The requirements for appointment are in accordance with § 47 LHG of the State of Baden-Württemberg.

Contacting the University of Mannheim and Application Materials

If you have any questions regarding the advertised professorship, please contact Dr. Julian Dierkes, dean and chair of the search committee, at julian.dierkes@uni-mannheim.de

Please submit your application by **October 22, 2026** in electronic form as a single PDF file with the subject line "Application Professor in Social Data Science and Social Science Methodology (W3)" by e-mail to bewerbung.sowi@uni-mannheim.de. Please include the following with your application:

- a cover letter
- curriculum vitae, list of publications (peer-reviewed publications should be identified), and degree certificates
- two recent teaching evaluations (no older than two years)

If you are unable to submit your application via e-mail, please send it along with the required documents to: Dekan der Fakultät für Sozialwissenschaften, Universität Mannheim, A5, 6, 68131 Mannheim.

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