



The **Chair of Sociology, Migration and Integration at the Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES)** is offering a full-time position as

Postdoctoral Researcher (all genders)

starting on 01.02.2027 or soon thereafter.

The MZES seeks to recruit an outstanding social scientist as a Postdoctoral Researcher at its **Chair of Sociology, Migration and Integration**, led by Professor Marc Helbling.

Your tasks include:

The position involves conducting research in the field of migration and integration, publishing in international academic journals, and teaching two courses (four hours per week) at the University's School of Social Sciences.

Your profile:

Candidates should have completed their **PhD with an excellent dissertation** in Sociology, Political Science, Economics or a related discipline. We expect **very advanced quantitative methodological skills** and **publications** in peer-reviewed journals.

What we offer:

Postdocs at the MZES benefit from both the **University's resources** and from the **Centre's own infrastructure**, which is specifically designed to supporting project management and includes its own IT department, data and methods unit, and public relations office.

Salary is commensurate with experience and qualifications and will be public sector pay scheme (100%, TV-L E13), with additional employer benefits. The contract is limited to **three years** and may be renewed in accordance with the German academic fixed-term contract act (Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz). The **starting date** is preferably **1 February 2027**, but can be agreed upon otherwise. In principle, the position can be shared.

Applications may be submitted in **German or English**. They should include a **cover letter**, a **CV** including a list of publications, and **copies of academic degrees**.

The **University of Mannheim** is one of the leading universities in Germany with approximately 12,000 students in five schools. Particularly in business and economics as well as in the social sciences the university ranks among the top institutions both at national and international level. More than 2,600 employees profit from an exciting work environment with numerous benefits.

The **MZES** is an interdisciplinary research institute of the University of Mannheim, dedicated to comparative European social research and the analysis of European integration processes. It is Germany's largest university-based social science research centre.

For further information about the Centre, please visit the MZES website:
www.mzes.uni-mannheim.de.

Key information

Start: 01.02.2027 or soon thereafter

Term: 3 years

Remuneration bracket: E 13 TV-L BW

Weekly hours: 39,5 hours,
the position is generally suitable for job sharing

Application deadline:
6 November 2026

Applications from persons with a disability are given preferential consideration provided that they are appropriately qualified. The University of Mannheim is committed to increasing the quota of women in areas where they are underrepresented and thus encourages women with appropriate qualifications to apply.

If you are interested in applying, please send your application documents via e-mail or mail **by 06.11.2026 at the latest:**

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MZES, Professor Marc Helbling
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If you have any questions about the position, please contact
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Data protection

Please find detailed information on the collection of personal data from the data subject according to Article 13 GDPR on the university's homepage:
www.uni-mannheim.de/datenschutz-bei-bewerbungen.

Submitted application documents will only be returned if you enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. Otherwise, they will be destroyed in accordance with current data protection law after the application procedure has ended. Electronic applications will be deleted accordingly..

If you apply by e-mail, please note that protection of confidential data cannot be guaranteed as unauthorized third parties might gain access to unencrypted e-mails during transmission.