



The Max Weber Institute of Sociology at Heidelberg University invites applications for a position (100%), starting at the latest on 1.4.2026 for a period of four years:

Postdoctoral Researcher Sociology (f/m/d)

The position is affiliated with the Chair for Empirical Macrosociology (Koenig) and offers the opportunity for academic qualification (R2), preferably in the fields of religion, migration, and/or human rights.

Your responsibilities:

- You will develop and carry out your independent research project
- You will contribute to teaching in sociology (teaching load is 4 hours per week during the semester) and to supervision of undergraduate theses
- You will cooperate with the Chair's research team and within the MWI

The following qualifications are required for this position:

- You have obtained an excellent MA degree in sociology or a neighboring field
- You have recently completed your doctoral dissertation in sociology
- You have strong interests in theory-driven global, transnational or comparative sociology
- You show advanced skills in methods of empirical social research
- You are committed to innovative teaching
- You have an excellent command of English and German; additional languages and/or area expertise are an advantage

We offer:

- Intensive individual supervision and coaching of academic work at MWI
- Excellent infrastructure and outstanding career development at Heidelberg University (e.g. heiTRACKS)
- Involvement in national and international research networks

Remuneration is based on the TV-L scale.

Applications should be submitted **by 15 December 2025**, including a letter of interest, CV with a list of publications, diplomas, a two-page research proposal and contact information of two persons who can provide a reference letter. Please send your application electronically (one pdf-document) to sabine.renninghoff@mw.uni-heidelberg.de.

Heidelberg University stands for equal opportunities and diversity. Qualified female candidates are especially invited to apply. Disabled persons will be given preference if they are equally qualified. Information on the job advertisements and the collection of personal data is available at www.uni-heidelberg.de/en/job-market.