

PhD Position in Philosophy of the Life Sciences (Bielefeld University)

The Department of Philosophy at Bielefeld University is inviting applications for a doctoral position in **philosophy of the life sciences**. The topic may be freely chosen within any area of the life sciences, but should preferably address an issue related either to medicine or anthropology. The position will be awarded for two years, starting in **October 2011**. Subject to allowance, the Department may be able to offer grant holders to apply for a twelve months' extension of their grants. This position will receive funding amounting to EUR 1103 per month (tax-free fellowship, excluding insurances).

Bielefeld University provides an exceptional research environment. The Department of Philosophy has a vibrant and growing philosophy of science group, with university faculty, postdoctoral, doctoral and visiting fellows working in a variety of fields. Science and values and philosophy of the life sciences are two main foci of the current group. The philosophy of science group is connected to and complemented by the Institute for Science and Technology Studies (IWT), the only interdisciplinary centre in science and technology studies at a German university.

We especially encourage women and persons with disabilities to apply. Bielefeld University is strongly committed to equal opportunity. Applicants with children may be granted an extra pay of EUR 400 for the first child and EUR 100 for any further child.

Requirements: Applicants for a doctoral grant should hold an advanced degree (Master of Arts or equivalent) in philosophy or history and philosophy of science. The successful candidate need not be able to speak German, but will be encouraged to learn it to fully participate in departmental life.

Application material: Applicants are asked to submit a CV, a statement of motivation (max. 400 words), a proposal for the PhD-research project (max. 4,000 words), a sample of written work (e.g. a seminar paper or a published article), all degree documents and the names and addresses of two academic references.

Deadline: Applications are due to **May 15**.

Address: Applications shall be sent (preferably per Email, as part of one pdf-file) to
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Further Information:

General information on the doctoral program in philosophy can be found here:
<http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/geschichte/forschung/ipsg/downloads/Promotionsordnung.pdf>

Information on the Department of Philosophy and the IWT is here:
http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28en%29/philosophie/index_new.html
<http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28en%29/iwt/index.html>

International applicants might consider consulting the International Office, which has a program for international doctoral candidates and offers general information on the German academic system, conditions of residency and the like:
<http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/%28en%29/Universitaet/Einrichtungen/Weitere%20Einrichtungen/IO/>

For any further specific questions regarding your application, please don't hesitate to contact

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