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### **PhD position in the research group of Professor Thomas Widmer**

The Department of Political Science at the University of Zurich ([www.ipz.uzh.ch](http://www.ipz.uzh.ch)) invites applications for a PhD position in the research group of Thomas Widmer, who holds a professorship in Political Science with focus on Evaluation.

#### **Your responsibilities**

- development and conduct your own PhD project in the professorship's field of research, namely research on policy making, implementation and evaluation (with a focus on Switzerland)
- participation in the department's doctoral program, which offers advanced methodological and substantive training as well as professional development
- contribution to the activities of the research group

#### **Your profile**

- a MA/MSc in political science (or in a related discipline)
- strong interest in research on policy making, implementation and evaluation
- good knowledge of Swiss politics
- solid training in social science methods (preferably quantitative and qualitative)
- ability to work both independently and in a team
- very good working knowledge of German and English; knowledge of French and/or Italian is an asset

#### **What we offer**

- integration in a leading department with highly motivated and engaged members within a collaborative and supporting working atmosphere
- opportunity to independently develop a dissertation project, supported by a dedicated supervisor
- conditional on approval of the PhD proposal by the end of the first year, funding is guaranteed for four years total, with a gross annual salary starting at CHF 50'000 approx. (gross salary)

**Place of work:** Zurich

**Start of employment:** February 1, 2025 (or by arrangement)

**Closing date for applications:** December 2, 2024

**Further information:** Further inquiries can be directed to Thomas Widmer (thow@ipz.uzh.ch).

***The IPZ aims to increase the diversity of its members and thus explicitly invites applications from women and other traditionally underrepresented groups.***

Please apply through our application page <https://www.ipz.uzh.ch/de/ueber-uns/offene-stellen/2025-PhD-Widmer.html> where you can upload your letter of interest, a current CV, a writing sample (i.e., MA thesis), copy of university transcripts, and the contact details of two people willing to serve as a reference.