

The Faculty of Mathematics, Informatics and Natural Sciences, Institute of Geography invites application for:

RESEARCH ASSOCIATES FOR THE PROJECT “CUORE”

Cultures of Responses: A cross-cultural analysis of resilience to storms in Penghu Archipelago (Taiwan) and East Frisian Islands (Germany).

- SALARY LEVEL 13 TV-L -

THE PROJECT

The project CUORE analyses the resilience to environmental changes and in particular to storms in two case studies: the Penghu archipelago (Taiwan) and the East Frisian Islands (Germany). The investigation of the culturally different case studies will be carried-out in parallel and with the same approach by two PhD candidates, each responsible for one case study. The methods employed will range from archival methods to interviews and surveys. The findings of the two case studies will continuously be monitored and integrated by the research team to identify convergences and divergences in the cultural forms of resilience.

YOUR ROLE

The doctoral candidate will be a member of the Department of Integrative Geography – Research Group Professor Dr. Beate Ratter (<https://www.geo.uni-hamburg.de/en/geographie/abteilungen/integrative-geographie/arbeitsgruppe-ratter.html>).

His/her tasks include:

- Empirical field work in Penghu Archipelago or East Frisian Islands
- Analysis of findings
- Project-related publications in peer-reviewed journals
- Pursue a doctoral degree in Geography

YOUR PROFILE

For the Penghu Archipelago case study:

- Master in Geography, Sinology, Ethnology, Political Science or related field
- Experience with qualitative and quantitative research methods
- Excellent command of Mandarin (or Taiwanese Mandarin) and English
- Prior knowledge of the concept of resilience and related current debates is desirable

For the East Frisian Islands case study:

- Master in Geography, Ethnology, Political Science or related field
- Experience with qualitative and quantitative research methods
- Excellent command of English and German
- Prior knowledge of the concept of resilience and related current debates is desirable

WE OFFER

- Fixed-term contract for a period of 36 months
- Salary Level 13 TV-L
- 65% of the standard work hours per week (full-time positions currently comprise 39hours per week)
- Inspiring working environment with a focus on human/nature interactions (ranging from climate change adaptation, environmental change perception, natural hazards to disaster research)
- “CUORE” team will closely and continuously collaborate to exchange findings and ideas on the role of culture in resilience to environmental changes.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Applications should include a cover letter with motivation statement and a short research outline (Max. 3 pages), curriculum vitae and copies of degree certificate(s). Please state in the cover letter whether you are applying for the position focusing on the East Frisian Islands or on the Penghu Archipelago case study. Please send applications (1PDF) by **8th November 2019** by email to Dr. Corinna de Guttry: Corinna.de.guttry@uni-hamburg.de

The position in accordance with Section 28 subsection 1 of the Hamburg higher education act (Hamburgisches Hochschulgesetz, HmbHG) commences as soon as possible. This is a fixed term contract in accordance with Section 2 of the academic fixed-term labor contract act (Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz, WissZeitVG).

The University aims to increase the number of women in research and teaching and explicitly encourages women to apply. Equally qualified female applicants will receive preference in accordance with the Hamburg act on gender equality (Hamburgisches Gleichstellungsgesetz, HmbGleiG). Qualified disabled candidates or applicants with equivalent status receive preference in the application process.