



Postdoctoral Job Opening

The *International Psychoanalytic University Berlin* (IPU) and the *Hans Kilian and Lotte Köhler-Center* (KKC) for *Social and Cultural Psychology and Historical Anthropology* at the Ruhr-University Bochum jointly invite applications for a 12-month

Postdoctoral Fellowship in Social and Cultural Psychology and Psychoanalysis

The successful candidate will have completed her/his PhD in the past three years with an outstanding dissertation in a relevant field; possesses strong research skills and interest in the fields of depth psychological social research and cultural analysis and/or interpretive cultural psychology; has solid knowledge of qualitative research methods and of subject, social, and cultural theory as well as the ability and willingness to think across disciplines.

The fellowship will enable the postdoc to pursue a research project in a concentrated manner and to benefit from open-minded discussion partners.

The successful candidate

- will receive a monthly salary of 3,000 euros (plus child allowance, if applicable) for a period of one year to work on a habilitation or comparable research project, regardless of the phase of the project;
- will be provided with a workspace in Bochum for 6 months and in Berlin for another 6 months, so that the fellow can benefit from the specific strengths of the IPU and the KKC (regular presence at the respective place of work is required);
- is expected to offer a 1- or 2-day symposium (financed by the IPU and the KKC) during her/his stay in Bochum, to which she/he invites 3-5 distinguished experts in her/his research area;
- is expected to offer a research-related course (biweekly or as a block seminar) for advanced and doctoral students, tailored to his/her own research topic and project in Berlin;
- is expected to prepare a publication resulting from the cooperation with the IPU and the KKC (which will also be financed by these institutions).

In addition to the above-mentioned salary, the IPU and KKC will

- assist the fellow with finding accommodations and other activities related to the research stay;
- help cover travel expenses to a limited extent;
- provide a student assistant to assume library, research and organizational duties to a limited extent.

The fellowship must be completed between October 1, 2025 and September 30, 2026.

The application deadline is June 30, 2025.

Applications must include a:

- cover letter stating the motivation for the application,
- tabular curriculum vitae, focused on the scientific career and experiences,
- doctoral diploma and the expert opinions on the dissertation (if these documents are not in German or English, adding a German or English translation is required),
- complete list of publications,
- brief outline of current research interests and work,
- brief outline of professional position and academic activities in a broader sense (collaboration with journals, publishers, research funding institutions, etc.),
- 3- to 5-page, differentiated project description,
- preliminary title/plan for the mandatory course and the scientific symposium.

Application documents must be submitted in digital form (as a single PDF) to both institutions:

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