

Post Doctoral Position: Interpersonal Transfers

This Post Doctoral researcher will work on Work Package three (WP3), focused on the interpersonal level of analysis using a quantitative approach. Using micro-level modelling, the candidate will assess housing-related practices of intergenerational support and their outcomes in our four selected country cases. The researcher will gather and prepare cross-country data, complemented by national datasets where needed. The goal of the research is to assess actual practices of intergenerational support between young adult and parental households, including direct support for housing as well as indirect/in-kind support across countries along with trends over time. Using micro-level regression modelling, the aim is to understand the importance of intra-family (in)direct support in terms of the life-course outcomes for younger households. Beyond classic parent-to-child flows of support, reverse child-to-parent dynamics will be examined where applicable and data allows, alongside wider networks of kinship (i.e., grandparents, aunts/uncles, siblings).

The PostDoc aim is to reveal how intergenerational support is connected to other factors, particularly socioeconomic position and national contexts.

The research design seeks to study differences in intergenerational transfers across countries and along time. The findings of this work-package contribute to a wider framework for the interpretation of qualitative analyses of interpersonal transfers (WP2), and country focused institutional analysis (WP1). The PostDoc will be co-supervised by Ricardo Duque (University of Granada) and Rowan Arundel (University of Amsterdam) and will be encouraged to spend some time in the Netherlands, as well as participating in all the formative activities included in the THICE project outline.

The postdoc has core responsibilities in WP3 but will also cooperate in the data management of other WPs. The postdoc is expected to take responsibility for more advanced analytical steps and will provide support for PhD4 (WP4). The micro-level analyses of WP3 and macro-level inequality assessment in WP4 will encourage collaboration between the researchers working on these components. We will also involve the postdoc in relevant management decisions and support the transition to independent scholarship through additional grant writing and lead authorship.

Selection Criteria

Selection criteria below outline the qualifications, skills, knowledge and/or experience that the successful candidate would need to complete the tasks assigned to the position. Applications will be assessed on the basis of how well candidates satisfy these criteria.

Essential

- A primary degree and a master's degree in a relevant social sciences subject (Human Geography, Sociology, Anthropology)

- A PhD in Social Sciences with a focus on housing, population dynamics, cities or other relevant topics to the THICE project.
- Quantitative methods background demonstrated through publications in which the applicant had a leading role.
- Analytical and critical evaluation skills
- English communication skills including report writing and presentation skills.
- Attention to detail and strong organisational skills as well as capacity to work in a team
- Ability to manage a complex workload and work to tight deadlines

Desirable

- Spanish communication skills as the position is located in Granada and would require interaction with local entities and data sources.
- Experience of social science research using secondary data sources.
- Experience with state-of-the-art statistical analysis methods.
- Experience with data preparation, data gathering and harmonization of different databases.
- Familiarity with appropriate software (e.g. Stata, SPSS, R).

Period for applications: 13th to the 24th of May 2024

Start date: 01. September 2024

Application

Please register your application between the 13th and the 24th of May 2024 using the online application for research contracts of the University of Granada (<https://investigacion.ugr.es/recursos-humanos/personal/contratos>), in the section “CONTRATOS correspondientes al mes de mayo”. To register the application, you will need to have a valid passport or Spanish ID. If the applicant cannot register the application, please contact ricardoduque@ugr.es

The application must include:

- Detailed curriculum vitae
- Application letter including a personal statement outlining suitability for the PostDoc position (2-4 pages).
- Up to three publications in Scientific Journals in which the author had an important role.
- Diploma and Transcripts of records (e.g. BA/SocSc and MA/MSocSc)

University of Granada (UGR) is committed to promoting diversity and providing equal opportunities. One strategic goal is to increase the proportion of women in the scientific field. As such, we emphatically invite qualified female candidates to apply. Individuals with disabilities will receive preferential treatment if other qualifications are the same.

Interviews will be held online in a date to be agreed upon in the second fortnight of June.