

Research Assistant (WHF, f/m/d) for CURADE Project

(10 Hours/week, 6 months, Start: July 15th, 2026)

We are inviting applications for a Research Assistant (WHF) position (10 hrs/week, 6 months, starting July 15th, 2026) within the project:

“Crisis, Uncertainties, and the Fragility of Democratic Beliefs: Explaining Autocratic Support in Unsettled Times (CURADE)”

This project investigates how perceptions of uncertainty and crisis shape democratic attitudes, drawing on experimental survey designs and quantitative methods (PI: Dr. Elif Sandal-Önal)

Your Profile:

- Genuine interest in political psychology and democracy research
- Proficiency in SPSS and/or R, including regression and mediation/moderation analyses (SEM experience is a plus)
- Prior experience with quantitative data
- Strong command of English (working language of the project)

Your Tasks:

- Assisting in the design and implementation of survey experiments
- Data preparation, cleaning, and analysis
- Conducting systematic literature searches

What We Offer

- The opportunity to contribute to the empirical research on political psychology of uncertainty and democracy,
- A collaborative working environment across two interdisciplinary research centres (IKG and CeUS) at Bielefeld University,
- Hands-on experience with experimental survey methods and advanced quantitative analysis.

How to Apply

Please send your CV and a short motivation letter until **May, 15th 2026**, as a single PDF to: e.sandal@uni-bielefeld.de

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. Early applications are encouraged.