



The Chair for Labor Economics / New Political Economy (Prof. Simon Görlach PhD) at the [Alfred-Weber-Institute for Economics](https://www.awi.uni-heidelberg.de/) at the University of Heidelberg invites applications for two

Post-doctoral Researcher

positions in economics and/or data science. The initial contract is for three years, with the possibility of renewal. Positions are full-time (13 TV-L) and based in Heidelberg.

Candidate Profile

The successful candidate should demonstrate the potential to produce high-quality research suitable for publication in leading academic journals. We seek applicants with a strong background in quantitative economics and econometrics. Candidates should demonstrate the potential to produce high-quality research suitable for publication in leading academic journals. For one of the positions, a solid understanding of data science and machine learning methods is an asset. Applicants must have (or must be expected to obtain soon) a doctoral degree in economics or related fields. German language knowledge is not required.

Job Description

The University of Heidelberg offers an exceptional research environment, and the expectation is that post-doctoral researchers pursue independent high-quality academic research. Research activities (such as presenting at international conferences) will be actively supported by the chair; generous funding is available. Other tasks include contributions to external grant applications, the chair's teaching portfolio, and the supervision of degree theses. The formal teaching requirement for the position is 4 SWS (semester weekly hours) during the lecture period.

Application Process

As an equal opportunity employer, Heidelberg University actively encourages applications by women. Preference will be given to disabled applicants with equal qualifications. Please submit your application (cover letter explaining your interest in the position, CV, a job market paper, and two or more reference letters sent directly by your references) by 30 November 2026 to simon.goerlach@awi.uni-heidelberg.de. Virtual interviews will be held in December 2026. For further information about the position, contact Prof. Simon Görlach PhD (simon.goerlach@awi.uni-heidelberg.de).