The Chair for Political Economy at the University of Mannheim is looking for a

**Student Assistant (m/f/d)**
**(30h/month, Bachelor or Master student)**

starting immediately (October 15, 2020 at latest) to support Prof. Thomas Bräuninger and his team in different research projects and teaching obligations.

Prof. Thomas Bräuninger and the chair team study how perceptions, preferences, beliefs, and institutions affect individual behavior and collective decision-making. From this perspective, the research attempts to understand voting and candidate behavior, as well as party competition in different electoral environments, coalition politics and legislative decision-making, perception bias, belief formation, and disinformation strategies in domestic and international politics.

**Your tasks:**

- Assistance in academic work, including literature research and reference management
- Systematic data collection from foreign news sources and databases
- Data (pre-)processing for computer-assisted text analysis from textual and audio data
- Support with teaching material preparation

**Qualifications:**

- Students of political science, sociology, economics or communication science
- Capability to program using common statistical software (e.g., STATA and R) and/or willingness to advance a basic skillset
- Working knowledge of German and English
- Experience with LaTex is desired but is not required
- Basic knowledge of Russian would be an asset but is not required

We offer an opportunity for active participation in research projects in a friendly work environment with flexible working hours. The wage per hour is 10,63€ for Bachelor students and 12,36€ for Master students.

The review process starts immediately. If interested, please submit a CV and transcript of records by **August 31, 2020** to

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