# Institute of Public Health

Università della Svizzera italiana

# PhD student position in in Health Management and Policy Research at the Institute of Public Health, Faculty of Economics at USI Università della Svizzera italiana

Università della Svizzera italiana (USI) is a young and lively university, a hub of opportunity open to the world where students are offered a quality interdisciplinary education in which they can be fully engaged and take center stage, and where our researchers can count on having the space to freely pursue their initiative.

Established in 1996, USI is in constant evolution, always taking on new challenges while remaining true to its three guiding principles: quality, openness and responsibility.

The Institute of Public Health (IPH) of the Università della Svizzera italiana (USI) in Lugano, Switzerland invites applications for a PhD student position in in Health Management and Policy Research.

## The project

The Swiss Learning Health System (SLHS) is a collaborative project between seven academic partner institutions (Universities of Basel, Lucerne, Lugano, Neuchatel and Zurich, University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland and Zurich University of Applied Sciences). The SLHS aims to build scientific capacity and bridge research, policy and practice by means of a structured dialogue between different stakeholders. This is intended to foster the development and continuous integration of research-based solutions to current and future challenges in the health system.

### The position

The successful applicant will be enrolled in the PhD program in Economics – area of Public and Health Management – at USI and in the SSPH+ PhD program "International Doctoral Courses and Seminars in Health Economics and Policy".

Duties

- Conduct Health management and Health services research, specifically in the thematic areas of innovation in health service delivery, including public private partnerships and project finance, digital medicine.
- Contribute to the SLHS activities (in particular, the development of policy briefs and the preparation of stakeholder dialogues).
- Develop scientific publications.
- Support teaching and administration activities (particularly, in the Master of Advanced Studies Net-MEGS).

# Candidates' profile

- Master's degree in Management, Economics or recognised as equivalent.
- Good quantitative skills (recommended STATA intermediate knowledge).
- Knowledge of Office automation standard packages (e.g., Word processor, Worksheet) and professional use of social media (e.g., LinkedIn).



- Proficiency in English and, at least, in one of the Swiss national languages (Italian, German, or French).
- Interest in healthcare and interdisciplinary research.

#### Contract terms and additional information

Admission to the Ph.D. program is highly competitive. Admission decisions are based on the candidate's background, interests, attitude and potential for academic achievement. Successful enrolment in the Ph.D. program and the position as doctoral researcher are not compatible with a further professional activity.

The requirements for this position are published within the "Directives for the PhD in Economics at USI" at www.eco.usi.ch/dottorato-direttive-economics-296150.pdf.

Workplace is USI Università della Svizzera italiana, located in Lugano, Switzerland. Availability to travel to other parts of Switzerland and abroad (for purposes of collaboration and research) is required.

#### The Application

Applications should contain: (1) a letter in which the applicants describe their research interests and the motivation to apply, (2) a complete CV, (3) copies of relevant diplomas, certificates as well as the full transcript of records that prove the candidates' eligibility for doctoral studies in Economics, (4) name and email addresses of two referees.

Please send your application in electronic form or requests for further information to marco.meneguzzo@usi.ch.

Applications received before December 5, 2021 will be given priority. However, applications will be received until the position is filled. If selected, candidates will be interviewed (in English) at IPH.

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As an institution that values diversity, USI particularly encourages applications from women and from all individuals from underrepresented groups.

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