

**Student Assistant (f/m/d)
at the research group for Public Relations and Communication of Technology wanted**

The research group for Public Relations and Communication of Technology (PRTK) at the Technische Universität Ilmenau is looking for

a student assistant (15 to 20 hours/ month)

to support the research project „Deciphering the pandemic public sphere: Government communication, (social) media discourses on and citizens’ responses to Covid-19 in Europe and the USA“ (**DECIPHER**, funded by DFG) **as soon as possible**.

The position will initially be filled for **2 months**. Language proficiency in **ITALIAN** (native or at least B2 level) is required. There is a possibility of extension. Employment is based on the collective salary agreement for student assistants. Working hours can be arranged flexibly by prior mutual agreement. Partial home office work is possible.

Tasks:

The student assistant is expected to support a content analysis of media coverage of the Covid-19 pandemic that will be conducted within the above-mentioned research project. In detail:

Retrieving news articles from different online media outlets in **italian language**:

- performing search requests in different data bases and selecting relevant articles
- saving selected news articles in a given file structure

Supporting the development of and testing a codebook for content analysis

Requirements:

- current enrollment as a student, Bachelor or Master (current enrollment certificate needed)
- Good to very good knowledge of Italian (supporting documents)
- Desirable, but not necessary:
 - Good knowledge of other languages: German, Dutch, Spanish and/or Swedish
 - Experiences in conducting content analyses

A thorough and structured way of working as well as the ability to work in a team and flexibility are expected.

We offer:

- Work in an international team of high-profile scholars
- Insights into ongoing international research on risk and crisis communication
- Input and ideas for potential theses (bachelor / master)

We look forward to receiving your complete online application documents, which should be sent via e-mail to Francis Alpers in the PRTK research group (francis.alpers@tu-ilmenau.de). The application will be closed as soon as the position is filled.