



PhD position in Health Economics

Start date: early 2027 or by mutual agreement

The Chair of Health Economics, Prof. Dr. Armando Meier, at the Faculty of Business and Economics of the University of Basel invites applications for a PhD position (teaching and research assistant). The position is fully funded with an internationally competitive salary. The successful applicant will be working on topics related to health, labor, and behavioral economics.

Prof. Dr. [Armando Meier](#) has worked, among others, on research examining how to increase vaccination uptake, the impacts of emotions on decision-making, and the long-run effects of the gender environment at school on occupational sorting and the wage gap.

Your position

You will become part of an international research group in an English-speaking environment. You are welcome to interact closely with members of the [Basel Center for Health Economics](#) (BCHE). The Center also includes groups working on behavioral health economics and development economics at the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute (Swiss TPH).

You will conduct high-level scientific research towards a PhD and assist and participate in research, teaching and administrative tasks. Your research contributes to funded research on health economics. Teaching duties may be carried out in German or English. The position will entail a performance review after one year, after which the position can be extended to a total of 4 years.

Your profile

- You are close to completing or already hold an excellent MSc degree (or equivalent) in a field such as Economics, Econometrics, or Finance.
- You have very good knowledge of economics and are passionate and curious about doing impactful, interdisciplinary work in the domains of health, behavioral and/or labor economics, e.g., on understanding the impact of policy interventions on vaccination.
- You have a solid knowledge of econometrics and some experience with statistical programs such as STATA, R, or Python and a strong willingness to develop excellent econometric skills, including in machine learning.
- You are fluent in written and spoken English.



We offer you

You will have the opportunity to conduct high-quality research in a dynamic, innovative scientific working environment and to interact with internationally renowned scientists from different disciplines. You will be part of a strongly research-oriented team with a collaborative and supportive atmosphere. The position is fully funded with an internationally competitive salary and additional resources available for conference travel. Additional funding for research stays can also be obtained.

Basel is situated on the Rhine, directly on the border with France and Germany. It is a great place to live and work in the heart of Europe. Health care, quality of life, and public transportation meet the highest international standards. The University of Basel, founded in 1460, is the oldest Swiss university and is among the top 100 universities globally.

Application / Contact

Please submit your application only through our PhD program [online application portal](#) by August 14 and indicate Meier, Armando as PhD supervisor.

Submitted documents include:

- an up-to-date CV
- a completed application form with a motivation paragraph about your research, including a very brief outline of research ideas the candidate would like to pursue
- transcripts of university coursework including grades
- a sample of academic writing (master's thesis, seminar paper, research paper or similar)
- if available, the contact details of academic referees and/or reference letters

Applications that do not include two reference letters may also be reviewed if all other documents are submitted. Review of applications will begin after the application deadline and will continue until the position is filled. During the application process, you will be asked to complete a work exercise.

The University of Basel is an equal opportunity and family-friendly employer committed to excellence through diversity. To increase the number of women in leading academic positions, the university strongly encourages applications from women.

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact Prof. Dr. Armando Meier at armando.meier@unibas.ch