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PhD Stipend: Language and Cognition in Early Stages of Dementia

Applications are invited for the position of a 3-year Ph.D. stipend in language and cognition in early stages of dementia at the NAR (Netzwerk Alternsforschung) at the University of Heidelberg, starting January 1st 2017 or as soon as possible thereafter.

The NAR is unique in Germany because of its integrated, systematic approach to aging research, and its interdisciplinarity. Interdisciplinarity in the breadth and depth of aging research requires new ways of knowledge transfer which ensure a connection between different fields of research, but also between theory and practice (<https://www.nar.uni-heidelberg.de/en/index.html>).

The position will be integrated into a greater project funded by the Klaus-Tschira-Stiftung (Erforschung der Bedeutung der Lebensumstände (körperliche Aktivität, Zweisprachigkeit) - unter Einsatz neuer Technologien - zur Optimierung von Lebensqualität und Reduzierung von Einschränkungen im Alter). The research group will encompass six PhD projects.

We are looking for a candidate who is interested in doing experimental research on the interface of language, psychology and biology. Specifically, the PhD project should focus on the question in how far linguistic and other cognitive processes are proportionally or disproportionately affected by age-related cognitive-decline.

The successful applicant will hold a Master's degree in Psychology or (Psycho)Linguistics. Specific experience in experimental methodology (eye tracking, EEG) and knowledge of statistics is required. English can be used as the working language, but knowledge of German is necessary to communicate with patients and to analyse verbal data.

The successful applicant will be enrolled in the Department of Psychology at the University of Heidelberg.

The stipend is € 1500,- per month for a period of 3 years. In addition € 1500,- per year are granted for travelling.

The application deadline is January 06, 2017.

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