

PhD position in Finance University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland

The Institute of Financial Analysis at the University of Neuchâtel is opening one **internal PhD position in finance** starting **from March 2023** or upon agreement. The PhD position is in relation with the SNF research project on "Measuring, Understanding, and Predicting Mutual Fund Performance Worldwide" and has an empirical focus.

Your duties

- Conduct research with the aim to earn a PhD in finance.
- Participate at academic conferences and publish your research.
- Contribute to the teaching of classes and the administration of the institute and the Master in Finance programme.

Your profile

- Master degree in Finance, Economics or Statistics.
- Interest to work on the evaluation and prediction of mutual and hedge funds' trading strategies.
- Strong quantitative skills. Interest in machine learning / textual analysis / big data is a plus.
- Profound programming skills in a statistical software package (such as R, Stata, SAS, Matlab, or Python).
- Excellent command of the English language. French language skills are a plus.

We offer

- Dynamic research environment with focus on empirical work.
- Funded position with personal workspace and excellent research infrastructure.
- Contract term of 4 years with annual renewal.
- Salary according to <u>University regulations</u>. This is a 70% position.

University background

The University of Neuchâtel is a university on a human scale and provides high quality teaching and support for about 4500 students from Switzerland and beyond (nearly 20% of students are from abroad). Bachelor and Master degrees are compatible with most other European universities and are in line with society's expectations in a variety of innovative and cutting-edge fields. Halfway between Geneva and Zürich, in the middle of Europe, the University of Neuchâtel is a perfect place for those who wish to study or to undertake high-level research in a magnificent environment, near lake and mountains.

Application procedure and deadline

Candidates should send their application (subject: PhD Finance) to messagerie.iaf@unine.ch, in a single pdf file and in the following order: (a) motivation letter, (b) detailed CV, and (c) copies of diplomas accompanied by grades. An excerpt of scientific work by the candidate and a letter of recommendation supporting the abilities of the candidate is strongly appreciated. Deadline for applications is **November 30, 2022**.

Further information can be obtained by contacting Professor Florian Weigert (florian.weigert@unine.ch) or visiting the website of the Institute www.unine.ch/iaf.

We reserve the right not to respond to applications that do not meet the requirements.

The University of Neuchâtel is an Equal Opportunity Employer.