

Vacancy PhD researcher - The impact of flight experiences on the psychological wellbeing of unaccompanied refugee minors

Last application date:	December 20 th 2016
Department:	PP04 – Department of Social Work and Social Pedagogy / Centre for the Social Study of Migration and Refugees
Contract:	Limited duration (4 years)
Degree:	Master's degree in Social Work or a Master's degree in Educational Sciences or an equivalent degree
Occupation rate:	100%
Vacancy Type:	Research staff

Job description

For a large-scale research project on the impact of experiences during the flight on the psychological wellbeing of unaccompanied refugee minors (URM), we are recruiting a PhD researcher. Within a larger research team, led by Prof. dr. Ilse Derluyn, this researcher will follow a group of URM who have been recruited in Italy, while they are still travelling through Europe, using a mixed-methods approach of qualitative and quantitative data collection methods. The research is funded by the European Commission (ERC-SG) and should result in a PhD thesis.

Profile of the candidate

We are looking for an enthusiastic, team-oriented and highly motivated PhD researcher with the following profile:

- a Master's degree in Social Work or a Master's degree in Educational Sciences or an equivalent degree. The degree requirements need to be fulfilled at the start of your appointment;
- affinity with the topic of wellbeing of unaccompanied refugees minors, for example through work experiences, internships, papers, ... ;
- affinity with doing research, both qualitative and quantitative;
- good command of written and oral English language;

- good writing skills;
- being able to work independently and show initiative;
- familiarity with the Italian context and language is of added value;
- willing to frequently travel in Europe;
- excellent communication (both oral and written) and organization skills.

Working place: Ghent University - Department of Social Work and Social Pedagogy

Your appointment will start as soon as possible, but not earlier than February 2017.

Your remuneration will be according Flemish university indices.

How to apply

For more information on the vacancy, contact Prof. Ilse Derluyn: Ilse.Derluyn@Ugent.be

Interested candidates should send their CV (including an overview of study results), a letter of motivation, and possible relevant publications to Ine.Lietaert@Ugent.be by December 20th 2016.