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Job Offers: Two PhD Positions (SNSF)

The two PhD positions are part of the research funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) - Interdisciplinary Research Committee: "Exploring the way to and from school with children: an interdisciplinary approach of children's experiences of the third place". This interdisciplinary and collaborative research project aims to study the children's way to and from school experiential, psycho-social, educational and creative dimensions. Children's experiences, conceptions and perceptions will be analysed in order to better understand interconnections and transfers between the two main educational spheres of children: their home and school. The analysis of these interrelated dimensions is also part of the wider context of interactions between schools and families/parents, local communities and educational policies. In a comparative and transdisciplinary perspective, the areas of inquiry will be spread over several cantons and linguistic regions: Valais, Graubünden and Ticino.

The successful candidates will carry out a PhD thesis at the Faculty of Psychology and Educational Sciences of the University of Geneva (UNIGE). They will work as part of an inter-institutional, interdisciplinary and plurilingual team (Valais University of Teacher Education (HEP-VS) and Center for Children's Rights Studies, University of Geneva (UNIGE)). They will be under the responsibility of Zoe Moody (Prof. HEP-VS), Philip Jaffé (Prof. UNIGE) and Frédéric Darbellay (Prof. UNIGE). The research team anchors its interdisciplinary work in the academic field of children's rights, mobilizing the contributions of educational sciences, psychology and childhood studies in particular.

Required title	Master Degree in Educational Sciences, Psychology, Children's Rights or other related fields, or title deemed equivalent.
Specific skills desired	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proven competence in scientific research in the field of human and social sciences (theoretical tools and research methods) - Interest and a clear motivation to carry out a doctorate in the interdisciplinary field of children's rights studies and to implement participatory and innovative research methods (research with children); Theoretical work and field surveys - Interpersonal skills and ability to join an interdisciplinary team - French, another national language (German or Italian) and academic English - Technical skills (computer and specific software) for processing and quantitative and qualitative analysis
Gross salary	From CHF 47'040.- per year According to the SNSF salary scale
Starting date and duration	1 September 2017 or date to be agreed 36 months (3 years)
Submission of applications and additional information	<p>The application form (CV with photo - list of publications, cover letter and copy of the highest diploma) should be sent by 26 May 2017 to the <i>Service des ressources humaines, Planta 3, 1951 Sion</i>, quoting the full reference number 111501.</p> <p>Further information on the position and mandate can be obtained from Zoe Moody (zoe.moody@hepvs.ch)</p>