

## PhD position in Finance (70%) University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland

The Institute of Financial Analysis at the University of Neuchâtel is opening one **funded internal PhD position in finance (70%)** starting **from March 2022** 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, Statistics, Accounting or a related field.
- 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 a focus on empirical work.
- Funded position with personal workspace and excellent research infrastructure.
- Contract term of four years.

### 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](mailto: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 15, 2021**.

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

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

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