





Hegau Bodensee Seminar in cooperation with the Zukunftskolleg at the University of Konstanz

University Day 2023 "Connecting researchers of tomorrow"

Wednesday, 29 November 2023, 16:30-19:30, Zukunftskolleg (Y building), University of Konstanz

The Zukunftskolleg is an Institute for Advanced Study (IAS) at the University of Konstanz. It offers 2-year and 5-year fellowships for early career researchers (Postdocs). The Zukunftskolleg's 5i strategy fosters early independence with an international, intergenerational, intra-university and interdisciplinary angle. With its ZUKOnnect Fellowships (Zukunftskolleg Konnect Fellowships), the Zukunftskolleg supports early career researchers from Africa, Asia and Latin America, who do research that fits to one of the thirteen departments at the University of Konstanz.

1) Workshops

- √ 2 interdisciplinary workshops à 7-10 pupils offered by 2 ZUKOnnect Fellows from different disciplines (alternatively one workshop by 1 ZUKOnnect + 1 Research/Postdoctoral Fellow – depending on the topic)
- ✓ Topics of the workshops will be chosen as soon as the new cohort of ZUKOnnect Fellows is selected
- √ 1 of the workshops could be held hybrid if needed

Workshop 1:

Jennifer de Sousa Barros (Herz Fellow / Biology):

"From Drácula to Batman: the truth about the real ecosystems' heroes, the Bats!"

Workshop 2:

Khanyile Mlotshwa (ZUKOnnect Fellow / Politics and Public Administration):

Working title: "Cities and inequality"

2) Preparation

✓ To get familiar with the research topic / topic of the workshop, the participants will receive a paper / podcast / video etc. of the Fellows in advance.

3) Wrap-up / Transfer

✓ After the workshop, the participants will receive a question / task of the Fellows which they have to prepare at home; the pupils have to submit their results by 10 December to be published on the website of the Zukunftskolleg.







- ✓ The Zukunftskolleg will write a report about the University Day which will also be published on the ZuKo website.
- ✓ Both the participants and the workshop organizers will receive a certificate.

Preparatory material for pupils:

Workshop 1:

Jennifer de Sousa Barros (Herz Fellow / Biology):

"From Drácula to Batman: the truth about the real ecosystems' heroes, the Bats!"

https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w3ct2gdb - This is a podcast talking about different aspects of bats - ecological importance, fears, and covid too, there is also a small video resuming a bit of the podcast. I think it is not much longer, which is good because young people these days are not very patient either.

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NcZ0DohEzvU</u> - And this is a short video, just doing a parallel from what we can learn from bats.

Workshop 2:

Khanyile Mlotshwa (ZUKOnnect Fellow / Politics and Public Administration):

"Cities and inequality"

Documentaries that students can watch ahead of the workshop:

- 1. Urbanization and the growth of global cities https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EpBbnL3pMRA&t=132s
- 2. Why South Africa is the most unequal country on Earth and how to fix it | DW News https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=71-jlOvrUFc
- 3. South Africa: Country of Contrasts | Extreme Inequality, Townships and White Slums | Documentary https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O5h-MG7GjTM