

Temporary vacancy research (part time) Centre d'Estudis Demogràfics (CED)

Ref. R103/2025

Project ERC-CoG DIGINEQ (GA 101042988)

Project general description:

The selected candidate will be invited to join the project *DIGINEQ – Digital Time Use, Adolescent Well-Being and Social Inequalities*, funded by the European Research Council (ERC). The project is hosted by the Centre d'Estudis Demogràfics (CED) in collaboration with the Department of Sociology at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB), under the direction of Professor Pablo Gracia.

DIGINEQ examines how digital technologies shape adolescents' well-being across socio-economic backgrounds. Specifically, this call is for a project investigating the mechanisms through which digital use intersects with stress, mental health, academic behaviours, and emotional development, with particular attention to the role of parenting strategies, gender, and social inequalities as critical explanatory factors. The project proposed employs comparative and longitudinal approaches.

Function description:

The selected candidate will collaborate with the PI and other team members on research activities related to adolescent well-being and digital use. The position will allow the candidate to develop a doctoral research trajectory aligned with the project's aims. Main responsibilities will include:

- Participating in data analysis and literature reviews on digital use and adolescent well-being.
- Supporting the preparation of academic publications and research dissemination.
- Collaborating on international comparative work using panel survey data (e.g., CFPS, LSAC, PSID-CDS).
- Contributing to DIGINEQ seminars, meetings, and academic events.

Requirements:

- Completed Master's degree in Psychology, Sociology, Demography, Education or a related field.
- Strong interest in adolescent well-being, digital behaviours, and social inequality research.
- Demonstrated experience with statistical tools (e.g., SPSS, Mplus, Stata) and willingness to improve skills in R or related software.
- Previous research or internship experience related to youth, families, or education will be valued.

- High motivation to undertake studies in the PhD in Demography (CED-UAB).
- Excellent command of English.

Conditions of employment:

- Part-time (8.5 hours/week) research contract starting on 1 October 2025.
- Duration: 4 years.
- Gross annual salary: 4,800 €
- Funding available for participation in international conferences, training, and research-related activities.
- No teaching obligations.

Applications:

Interested candidates must send the following documents to demog@ced.uab.cat:

- One-page motivation letter
- Curriculum Vitae
- Proof of Master's degree

Deadline:

8 September 2025 (12:00 PM)

Additional information:

- For queries, contact demog@ced.uab.cat
- Website: <https://ced.cat/>
- This call is for internal formal recruitment. External supplier inquiries will not be answered.

Bellaterra (Cerdanyola del Vallès), 29 July 2025

Albert Esteve Palós

Director



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