Temporary full-time contract. Postdoctoral Researcher

Centre d'Estudis Demogràfics (CED)

Projects:

Intergenerational Coresidence in Global Perspective: Dimensions of Change (ERC-2021-ADG No 101052787) and *Temps per a la vida: indicadors, polítiques i impacte social dels usos del temps en la consecució dels ODS a Catalunya (2002–2024)* (2025 IMPAC 00066)

Reference: R204/2026

Research overview

This position is embedded within a research line at the Centre for Demographic Studies (CED) focused on the analysis of contemporary social transformations from a demographic, comparative and quantitative perspective. The research examines changes in living arrangements, household structures, intergenerational relationships and time use, and how these relate to social inequalities, gender and different stages of the life course.

The work combines census and survey data from different countries, including time-use surveys, to analyse both the individual and family factors associated with these transformations and the broader global and territorial patterns that shape them. Particular attention is given to intergenerational coresidence, the distribution of time between paid work, care and personal life, time poverty and gender inequalities, combining comparative demographic research with the development of indicators and tools aimed at knowledge transfer and evidence-informed public policy.

Main responsibilities

The researcher will contribute to a range of research activities across both projects, working closely with the Principal Investigators. Main responsibilities include:

a) **Conducting advanced analyses** to identify patterns and variations in intergenerational coresidence worldwide, examining the factors underlying its growth and changing forms, and assessing their relationships with demographic, social, economic, cultural, and attitudinal factors.

b) **Developing, validating, and facilitating the transfer** of a system of time-use indicators to support Catalonia's progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), with a particular focus on reducing time-related inequalities, improving daily well-being, and strengthening social co-responsibility in caregiving.

c) **Contributing to the dissemination and scientific exploitation** of research findings, including preparing manuscripts for publication in international peer-reviewed journals, presenting results at national and international conferences, producing policy-oriented reports, and participating in other knowledge-transfer activities.

Requirements

The position requires experience in demographic and social research, particularly in the analysis of census data and survey microdata. Familiarity with time-use surveys is especially important for the *Temps per a la vida* project

- PhD in Demography or related fields within the social sciences (Sociology, Geography, Economics, or related disciplines).
- Demonstrated experience in demographic analysis, particularly in the study of family dynamics and the use of time.
- Strong quantitative skills and familiarity with methods for analyzing social, regional, as well as experience in conducting cross-national comparative research.
- Experience working with large-scale censuses and survey datasets, especially with time use surveys, and proficiency in statistical software such as R, Stata, or equivalent.
- Evidence of scientific publication and dissemination activities in relevant fields.
- Proficiency in English and Catalan (written and spoken).

Contract conditions

- **Contract type**: full-time position for scientific and technical activities linked to the funding awarded to the projects CORESIDENCE and *Temps per la vida*, starting on 16/11/2026.
- **Duration**: 12 months
- **Gross annual salary**: €33,660, according to the CED salary scale (R2 level).
- **Workplace**: Centre d'Estudis Demogràfics (Barcelona). The selected candidate must reside in Spain during the contract period and hold a valid work permit.

Applications

Form

Interested candidates should submit their application materials in English through the "Apply Now" bottom.

Required documents

- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Cover letter (maximum 1 page)
- Two examples of scientific work authored by the candidate as sole author and/or lead author.

Deadline

29th October 2026 at 23:59 CET

Contact

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