

Chair of African Legal Studies
Universität Bayreuth, 95440 Bayreuth

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Vacancy Student Assistant

— The Chair of African Legal Studies is looking for a Student Assistant to support the interdisciplinary research project **“Deciphering Processes of Wealth Accumulation in Africa: Legal, Political and Religious Approaches”**. The project is co-led by Professors Thoko Kaime, Alexander Stroh-Steckelberg and Serawit Debele and is part of the Cluster of Excellence Africa Multiple at the University of Bayreuth.

The position involves **40 working hours per month**, starting on **1 January 2027**, for a period of one year.

— This is an opportunity to become involved in an international, interdisciplinary research project exploring the processes through which wealth is accumulated in Africa. We welcome applications from **students across all disciplines** who are interested in contributing to academic research and gaining experience in a collaborative research environment. Students in earlier semesters are particularly encouraged to apply.

Your responsibilities

- Support the organisation and coordination of project activities and events.
- Assist with research-related tasks and the preparation of academic materials.
- Support project administration, documentation and internal coordination.
- Assist with communication and cooperation among project members and academic partners.
- Contribute to the smooth day-to-day operation of the project.



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Your profile

- You are enrolled as a student at the University of Bayreuth, regardless of your academic discipline.
- You are interested in interdisciplinary research and questions relating to African studies.
- You have good organisational skills and work reliably and independently.
- You are able to communicate confidently in English; knowledge of German is an advantage.
- You have good Microsoft Office skills.
- You enjoy working in a team and are motivated to contribute to a collaborative research project.

Previous research experience is welcome but not required. We particularly encourage applications from students in earlier semesters who are interested in gaining their first experience in an academic research environment.

Our offer

- The opportunity to contribute to an interdisciplinary research project within the Cluster of Excellence Africa Multiple.
- Insights into academic research and the organisation of collaborative research projects.
- A friendly and supportive working environment within an international academic team.
- Opportunities to develop research-related, organisational and communication skills.
- Remuneration in accordance with the current regulations for Student Assistants (SHK) at the University of Bayreuth.

As we are committed to an inclusive and open society, we particularly welcome applications from women*, LGBTQI persons, BIPOC, people with disabilities, people with a migration background, and other groups underrepresented in academia. Applicants with a severe disability will be given preference in cases of equal suitability. Students from earlier semesters are particularly encouraged to apply.

Are you interested in joining the project? We look forward to receiving your application.

Please submit your application, including your CV and proof of academic performance, exclusively by email as a single PDF file (max. 30 MB) to africanlegalstudies@uni-bayreuth.de, using the subject line "SHK – Wealth Accumulation in Africa" by the deadline of **08 November 2026**.



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