



School of Health Professions

The ZHAW is one of the largest multidisciplinary universities of applied sciences in Switzerland, with more than 12,000 students and 3,000 faculty and staff.

The **School of Health Professions** is the largest and most well-known centre for training and continuing education in various health professions, such as occupational therapy, midwifery, nursing and physiotherapy, as well as for research in these fields.

The **Institute of Occupational Therapy** is the competence centre for training and research in occupational therapy in the German-speaking part of Switzerland. The Occupational Therapy Research Unit focuses on occupation and its limitations. Our research group is involved in various projects with other universities, both in Switzerland and abroad, as well as with partners from practice. Cooperation with other Schools at the ZHAW enables us to link the unique nature of the occupational therapy perspective with other fields, such as economics, linguistics or technology. The Occupational Therapy Research Unit currently has four main focus areas: new technologies, therapeutic approaches and models; evaluation and intervention; the experience of clients, and the inclusion of people with disabilities.

We are seeking a

Head of Research & Development in Occupational Therapy (80 – 100 %)

to start on 1 March 2018 or by agreement.

As a member of the Institute management, you will be responsible for the following:

- Heading and further developing the research centre, including responsibility for staff and finances
- Acquisition of research assignments with third-party funding
- Initiating and leading research projects at a national and international level
- Dissemination of research results in specialist journals, as well as presentations at national and international conferences
- Supervising BSc and/or MSc theses and doctoral work
- Teaching activity (BSc, MSc and/or continuing education).

For this demanding position, we require a university qualification (PhD/dissertation) and training in Occupational Therapy. You are also required to have demonstrated knowledge and experience in applied research, funding and in teaching. You have acquired third-party funds for research and development projects and you are familiar with the Swiss health and care systems. Furthermore, you have an excellent knowledge of both German and English, which you are happy to apply effectively, including in scientific publications.

In your capacity as manager, you will promote your employees, think in an entrepreneurial manner and address challenges in leading research in a solution-oriented fashion. You are a good, convincing communicator and you have intercultural competence and great commitment.

We offer a dynamic and innovative working environment and, a committed team. If the regulations of the Zürcher Fachhochschule (ZFH) are fulfilled and if experience and credentials (publications and acquisition of third-party funding) can be demonstrated in one of our in main research areas, appointment to the position of Professor ZFH may be possible.

If you require further information, please contact: Christiane Mentrup, Head of the Institute of Occupational Therapy (Telephone: +41 58 934 63 05; e-mail: christiane.mentrup@zhaw.ch).

Please send your cover letter and cv using our career portal, www.zhaw.ch/en/jobs/vacant-positions, to Karin Graf, Head of HR Business Unit in Winterthur. Please note that we will only consider applications sent via our online platform and will not consider those sent by post or e-mail.

Further information can be found at www.zhaw.ch