

Research and Teaching Assistant / Ph.D. Position (f/m/d) in Business Analytics and Operations Research

The Chair of Production Management (<https://www.bwl.uni-mannheim.de/en/stolletz/>) in the Area Operations at the Business School of the University of Mannheim (Prof. Raik Stolletz) invites applications for a **Ph.D. position**. The starting date is flexible in **2025**.

The Chair's research focuses on the development of methods in Business Analytics and Operations Research with projects in the analysis and optimization of manufacturing and service operations. We are looking for a Ph.D. student who is interested in one of the research projects

- Robust capacity planning under volatile demand in distribution centers.
- Managing closed-loop manufacturing networks.

Some projects are funded by industry partners or the German Science Foundation (DFG) with national and international collaborations. The ideal candidate has completed or is nearing completion of their Master's studies in Business Analytics, Operations Management, Operations Research, Management Science, Computer Science, Industrial Engineering, Mathematics, or related fields, with a strong academic record. Candidates with advanced skills in business analytics, particularly in performance analysis and optimization of stochastic systems or optimization algorithms and heuristics, are highly encouraged to apply. Proficiency in English is essential, while knowledge of German is not required. In addition to working on the research project, the Ph.D. student will provide support to the team in teaching and administrative tasks, contributing to a collaborative and interdisciplinary work environment.

The University of Mannheim Business School is Germany's premier business school and provides an outstanding international research environment. The chair actively supports collaborations within the international research community. The University of Mannheim is an equal opportunity employer. Qualified women are therefore particularly encouraged to apply. Applicants with disabilities are treated with preference given comparable qualifications.

Please send your application with the usual documents (letter of motivation, CV, overview of previous academic achievements, etc.) in written form or by e-mail until **March 31st, 2025** to

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