

The **University of Passau** owes its strong visibility and good repute to excellent research, innovative teaching and its tight-knit international academic networks. Some 13,000 students and more than 1,300 staff study and work on our university campus, which is located a stone's throw from the historical Old Town of Passau and combines state-of-the-art technical infrastructure with award-winning architecture. Internationally successful high-tech companies and a vibrant start-up scene, coupled with a rich culture and Lower Bavarian traditions, give Passau and the surrounding area a special appeal that makes it a great place to live and work.

The **Faculty of Arts and Humanities at the University of Passau** invites applications for the tenured civil-service post of:

Professorship of Political Science with a focus on Political Theory (pay grade W3)

This post is available to start immediately.

The postholder will contribute to strengthening the University's social science focus and represent the entire breadth of the subject area of political theory in research and teaching.

Academics at our four faculties conduct research, teaching and knowledge transfer activities at the cutting edge and according to the most exacting standards. Europe, sustainability and digitalisation are particular focal points of intensive inter- and transdisciplinary collaboration within the University and with our many national and international partners. As a sustainable, internationally visible and attractive university in and for Europe, the University of Passau seeks to make important contributions to solving the numerous challenges facing humanity both globally and locally.

The **Faculty of Arts and Humanities** is characterised by a wide range of geographical, thematic, methodological and academic subjects, as represented by its chairs and professorships. The faculty emphasises the regional specificities of inter- and transdisciplinary research and teaching as well as the inclusion of current social topics in times of transformation, while simultaneously assigning great importance to fundamental, long-term research.

The successful candidate will have a proven research profile in the field of political science with a focus on political theory. A comprehensive study, if possible, of several of the following fields is expected: political theories of modernity, theories of democracy and rule, theories of political normativity, pluralistic and global perspectives of politics, critique of political economy. An focus on philosophy or methodology of science would also be advantageous.

Evidence of strong international publication activity is expected, especially in well-regarded, peer-reviewed publications. A an appropriate level of experience acquiring and implementing competitive external (third-party) funded projects, preferably in collaboration and from research-oriented bodies, is also expected.

The University of Passau attaches particular importance to the quality of the education it imparts, and innovative teaching is held in high esteem at the faculty. Candidates should present their didactical and pedagogical ideas on teaching – taking into account the profile of the University of Passau.

Special dedication and an attractive range of courses covering the entire field of political theory, including the history of ideas, in the various bachelor's and master's programmes with political science in their curriculum, as well as in the teacher training programmes, are expected. Extensive experience teaching political theory in both German and English is required.

A willingness to co-operate in interdisciplinary contexts is presupposed, as is participation in new research initiatives within the framework of the faculty's priorities; in addition to this, the postholder is expected to actively participate in the design and preparation of new degree programmes and to take an active part in academic self-governance. A demonstrable commitment to supporting early career researchers and the advancement of gender equality is also desirable.

The successful candidate will be educated to doctoral level and have demonstrated both pedagogical aptitude and academic excellence, whereby the latter is generally established on the basis of the quality of his or her doctoral research. He or she will, furthermore, possess the German formal postdoctoral *habilitation* qualification or an equivalent body of academic achievements garnered whilst employed at an institution of higher education, for instance as a *juniorprofessor* or in a comparable position with a different title (e.g. assistant professor or lecturer), insofar as the duties and qualification profile correspond to those of a juniorprofessor position; the habilitation-equivalent achievements may also have been attained outside the higher education system. In accordance with Art. 10(3)(1) of the Bavarian Higher Education Employment Act (BayHSchPG), candidates must not be more than 52 years of age at the time of their appointment.

The University of Passau actively promotes equal opportunities for all genders as well as diversity in the workforce; therefore, applications are welcome from all candidates who fulfil the requisite qualifications, without regard to gender, cultural or social background, religion, world view, disability or sexual identity. As the University wishes to raise the proportion of women in research and teaching, female academics are expressly encouraged to apply. This position is suitable for people with disabilities; registered disabled persons are given preference over non-disabled applicants who do not otherwise have statutory preferential status if their overall personal aptitudes, skills and qualifications are equal.

To be considered, your application must reach the University by **30 July 2021**. Your full application should include all relevant supporting documents (curriculum vitae, list of publications, teaching assignments, teaching evaluations etc.) and should preferably be sent by e-mail to bewerbung@phil.uni-passau.de with '**Politische Theorie**' written in the subject line. It should be addressed to the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities of the University of Passau, Professor Malte Rehbein, 94030 Passau. When e-mailing your application, all application documents should be attached in a **single pdf file**. E-mailed applications are kept on file for six months after the conclusion of the appointment procedure, whereupon they are deleted from our systems.

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