

The University of Passau owes its strong visibility and good reputation to excellent research, innovative teaching and its tight-knit international academic networks. Some 13,000 students from 100 countries 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 **Professorship of Journalism Studies** at the University of Passau (Professor Oliver Hahn) invites applications for the fixed-term position of

Assistant Professor
(German job title:
Wissenschaftlicher Mitarbeiter/Wissenschaftliche Mitarbeiterin [m/w/d])

The employment start and end dates are 1 October 2021 and 30 September 2022, respectively. This is an 0.5 full-time equivalent position. Remuneration is pro rata (50%) at pay grade **E13 of the German public-sector collective agreement (TV-L)**.¹

Key responsibilities

- Collaborate on current externally (third-party) funded research projects and assist in acquiring funding for future projects
- Organise and coordinate international and national research projects as well as innovative teaching projects
- Support the team of the Professorship of Journalism Studies in all academic activities, including publications and conference presentations at the national and international level
- Teach four academic hours per week during the semester (1 academic hour = 45 minutes)
- Advance your own academic qualification: doctorate or postdoctoral 'habilitation' qualification

Person specification

- Very good university degree (doctoral researchers: master's degree; postdoctoral researchers: doctorate) in communication science, journalism studies and/or political science
- Strong quantitative and qualitative social-empirical research skills are an essential requirement
- Experience with externally (third-party) funded research projects would be an advantage
- Language skills:
 - Must be fluent in English (written and spoken)
 - Good written and spoken German
 - Other foreign languages (e.g. Spanish, French) would be an advantage
 - Non-European language skills (e.g. Arabic) and/or, particularly, in South-East Asian languages (e.g. Thai, Bahasa, Burmese) would be an advantage
- Hands-on experience in journalism and/or PR would be desirable

¹ <https://oeffentlicher-dienst.info/c/t/rechner/tv-l/west?id=tv-l-2021&matrix=1> shows an overview of pay grades for 2021.

- Experience living in a foreign country, e.g. gained while studying abroad, but not through holiday travel, would be an advantage
- Must be willing to travel extensively in Germany and abroad
- Must have excellent computer skills (all Office applications; DTP software such as InDesign; video editing software, e.g. Final Cut and/or Premiere; as well as software such as SPSS and MAXQDA)
- Prior experience as a Research Assistant or Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant (or Assistant Professor) would be an advantage

Additional information

As the University of Passau wishes to raise the proportion of its female academic staff, women are expressly encouraged to apply. Furthermore, this position is suitable for candidates who are registered disabled. 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.

How to apply

To be considered, your application must reach the University by **31 July 2021**; early applications are welcome. Please send your application, **attached as a single PDF file**, to oliver.hahn@uni-passau.de

Your full application should include a cover letter and a curriculum vitae as well as scans of relevant supporting documents as may be available (e.g. degree certificates and final transcripts; employment reference letters; list of academic publications; and documents proving your academic teaching experience).

E-mailed applications are kept on file for up to six months after the conclusion of the appointment procedure, whereupon they are deleted from our systems.

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