

The University of Passau owes its strong visibility and good reputation to excellent research, innovative teaching and its tight-knit international academic networks. Some 12,000 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 **Chair of Public Economics** (Professor Stefan Bauernschuster) and the **DFG Research Training Group 2720 on Digital Platform Ecosystems (DPE)** at the University of Passau invite applications for a

### **doctoral position**

to start at the earliest convenience. This is a 75% FTE position, based on a three-year fixed-term contract with the option of renewal. Remuneration is in accordance with pay grade E13 of the German public-sector collective agreement, TV-L; the salary step depends on your qualifications and experience.

### **What we are looking for**

- You are a highly motivated university graduate with an excellent master's degree in economics or a related field of study and are looking to study for a doctorate/PhD.
- Very good analytical skills and keen interest in applied microeconomics and microeconometrics.
- Willingness to approach policy-relevant problems in the fields of labour, population, health, environmental or education economics using microeconomic techniques. A particular interest in questions related to digital platforms (social media, e-learning, ride-hailing, short-term homestay etc.) would be an advantage.
- Willingness to conduct interdisciplinary research as a member of the DFG-funded Research Training Group "Digital Platform Ecosystems" (<https://dpe.uni-passau.de/en>).
- Ability to work in a team, open-mindedness and the motivation to work on a research project independently, diligently and under pressure.
- Excellent spoken and written English language skills.
- Knowledge of German would be advantageous but is not a requirement.

### **What we offer**

- The opportunity to pursue doctoral studies at a renowned German university and as part of a strong team with internationally recognised research activities at the highest scholarly level (see <https://wiwi.uni-passau.de/en/public-economics/>).
- Membership in the interdisciplinary Research Training Group 2720 Digital Platform Ecosystems (see <https://dpe.uni-passau.de/en>) funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG).
- A tailored and structured doctoral programme at the graduate school DPE; a fully funded research visit abroad, external course programme (summer schools, workshops); co-supervision by international scholars and much more.
- No formal teaching obligation, but possibility to participate in and contribute to the Chair's teaching portfolio.
- You will participate regularly in international conferences, become integrated into an international research network and contribute to public discourse.
- Excellent infrastructure on one of the most beautiful university campuses in Germany.

Job-sharing arrangements may be possible, depending on the number of suitable candidates. The University of Passau wishes to increase the proportion of its female staff and expressly encourages women to apply for the position.

This position is suitable for candidates with disabilities. Those who are registered disabled 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 apply, please send your full application (including motivation letter and school, training and work certificates) as a single pdf file to [dpe@uni-passau.de](mailto:dpe@uni-passau.de). Visit <http://www.dpe.uni-passau.de/en/application> for details on how to apply. You can apply at any time, as we will be accepting applications until the position is filled. We will start reviewing received applications on **31 January 2023**. If you have any further questions, please contact Professor Stefan Bauernschuster ([stefan.bauernschuster@uni-passau.de](mailto:stefan.bauernschuster@uni-passau.de)).

Emailed 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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