

The **University of Passau** owes its strong visibility and good repute to excellent research, innovative teaching and its tight-knit international academic networks. Some 11,000 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 **Professorship for Applied Ethics** at the University of Passau invites applications for the position of a

### **Doctoral Researcher**

for immediate start.

This is a part-time position, amounting to 0.65 full time equivalent (FTE) for a term of 36 month.

#### **Duties and responsibilities**

The focus of your work is on conducting a research project on Moral Hallucinations in the DFG priority programme „Robust Assessment & Safe Applicability of Language Modelling: Foundations for a New Field of Language Science & Technology“ (LaSTing) at the intersection of ethical argumentation theory and applied ethics of AI in close cooperation with computer linguistics.

Further duties and responsibilities include:

- independent research activities and publications
- editorial management of publication projects
- organization of events
- organizational and administrative support for the professorship in carrying out the research project

#### **Qualifications**

- a master's degree in philosophy or a related field relevant to the research project
- a strong interest in research and topics in practical philosophy, with a focus on questions of general and applied ethics and/or argumentation theory
- excellent language skills in English and a good command of German (demonstrated, for example, through study abroad experiences or language certificates)
- initial experience in organizing and conducting events in university settings
- organizational skills and good project management
- initial experience in managing externally funded projects, as well as initial experience in interdisciplinary collaboration, is an advantage

## What we offer you

- remuneration in accordance with pay grade E13 of the German public-sector collective agreement TV-L; the salary step depends on qualifications and experience.
- a rewarding, diverse and challenging academic position on a modern, verdant campus located on the banks of the river Inn, a few minutes' walk from the historic Old Town of Passau.
- a great work climate in a family-friendly environment

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 who are registered disabled. Persons with disabilities 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.

If you have any further questions about this position, please contact Professor Karoline Reinhardt by e-mail [karoline.reinhardt@uni-passau.de](mailto:karoline.reinhardt@uni-passau.de).

To apply, please send your full application, including all supporting documents (CV, training and work certificates, writing sample) as **a single pdf file** to [karoline.reinhardt@uni-passau.de](mailto:karoline.reinhardt@uni-passau.de) by no later than **30 April 2026**. Applications are kept on file for six months after the conclusion of the appointment procedure and will be deleted thereafter.

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