TRIER UNIVERSITY

The Faculty of Antiquity Studies, History, Politics, and Art History (FB III) of Trier University invites applications for a tenure-track appointment at the level of

**Assistant Professor (Juniorprofessorin/Juniorprofessor) in Medieval History with a focus on Jewish History (W1 with tenure-track to a W2 position, LBesG) (m/f/d)**

in the civil service for a fixed term. If the requirements for civil service are not met, employee status may apply.

The field of dedication is to be represented in research and teaching.

This professorship is funded by the Tenure Track Programme of the German Federal Government and the Federal States. It is aimed at junior researchers in an early career phase and with extraordinary potential for a further academic career.

We are looking for an individual with a proven track record in medieval history and a focus on Jewish history in the context of interreligious relations in Europe and/or the Mediterranean, or who will develop one during the junior professorship phase. The professorship is expected to strengthen the internationally renowned scholarship in Jewish history established at Trier. It is therefore desirable that the future holder of the post has at least one research project of their own in this area, preferably documented by publications or a funded project. In teaching, the professorship shall cover Medieval History in such a way that a sound education of students in all Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes, including those related to school teaching, is guaranteed. Commitment to teaching and to innovative courses that also include digital teaching is strongly desired.

We expect (a) a commitment to the Arye Maimon Institute for Jewish History (AMIGJ) and, by the end of the junior professorship phase, entry into the board of directors of the AMIGJ; (b) the completion of a book manuscript on a topic in Jewish history during the first six years of the professorship in case the doctoral thesis was written in another focus area of medieval history; c) proof of knowledge of Hebrew (Ivrit) at the language level C (Gimel) at the time of evaluation after three years at the latest, and of level E (He) after six years; d) participation in the existing and planned research networks of the History Department and of Department III; as well as e) participation in the academic self-administration as well as in all teaching programmes in which the History Department is involved. Non-German-speaking applicants must have a knowledge of German at C1 level after three years (up to this point, teaching may be done in English). Fulfilment of the above points will be the subject of the midterm and final evaluations.

Applicants must meet the general requirements according to public services law and the Higher Education Act of Rhineland-Palatinate (§ 54 HochSchG – Higher Education Act); in particular, pedagogical aptitude and special aptitude for academic work must be proven, normally by means of a qualified doctorate.

The employment term (limited term with civil service status) will generally run for six years. After three years and not later than the end of the fourth year of employment an interim evaluation will be conducted. This evaluation is to give an orientation with regard to the standard of performance in teaching and research. After a final successful evaluation as Assistant Professor after six years, and
provided the general requirements are fulfilled, the candidate will qualify for appointment to a tenured full professorship (W2). We refer to § 50 (5) 5 and 6 HochSchG – Higher Education Act in this context.

The state of Rhineland-Palatinate and the University of Trier advocate a teaching concept in which a high degree of presence of the teaching staff at the university location is expected. The University of Trier strives to increase the number of its female university professors and strongly encourages female academics to apply. Disabled persons and those who are treated like them in accordance with § 2 (3) SGB IX will be given preferential consideration if they are suitable (please enclose proof).

Applications including the usual documents (curriculum vitae, copies of certificates and language certificates, list of publications, list of courses), a brief description of past and future research projects and a paper on the applicant’s contribution to the future design of the subject’s teaching programme should be sent by March 17th, 2022 to the Dean of Faculty III of the University of Trier, Prof. Dr. Torsten Mattern, 54286 Trier, in electronic form (pdf file of max. 10 MB) to dekanatfb3@uni-trier.de. The documents will be deleted after the selection process has been completed.