University of Trier

The Department of Studies of the Ancient World, History, History of Art, and Political Sciences (Fachbereich III)

is advertising a position of

Juniorprofessor (m/f/d)
(Tenure Track, W1 to W2)

for Papyrology

The study of the classical civilizations of the ancient world (Ancient Egypt, Greece, Rome) is an important area of research and of profile development of the University of Trier. A special feature of the university’s portfolio is the presence of a papyrological collection and library, and the position of Professor of Papyrology, which acts as a bridge between other disciplines in the study of the ancient world (Ancient History, Classical Philology, Classical Archaeology, Ancient Philosophy, Egyptology).

The successful candidate for the position advertised will be able to teach papyrology in all its facets. His or her research should focus on the historical and cultural facets of papyrology and allow for fruitful collaboration with other areas of research. The candidate will show his ability for interdisciplinary research through previous publications and research projects focusing on one or more of the following areas: a) historical, b) political, c) administrative, d) economical or e) cultural development of Graeco-Roman Egypt. Experience in editing Greek papyri, in developing new study courses and curricula, and/or in administrative charges is expected.

The successful candidate’s tasks include the further development of existing curricula, efforts to increase the visibility and impact of the subject, and the curating of the existing papyrological collection. Close cooperation is also expected in the context of the Centre for Ancient Studies (ZAT – Zentrum für Alterswissenschaften) and the research institute Graeco-Roman Egypt (Forschungszentrum Griechisch-Römisches Ägypten), as well as with existing interdisciplinary research groups in the area of Ancient World Studies at the University of Trier.

Requirements for employment are set out in §54 Hochschulgesetz of the German federal state of Rhineland-Palatinate. In particular, a qualified doctorate in a field relevant to the subject, pedagogical aptitude and special qualification for scientific work must be demonstrated. The successful candidate will be expected to immediately offer courses in German language.
The initial employment term (limited term with civil service status) will run for three years and will be extended for another three years, contingent upon a successful interim evaluation. After a final successful evaluation as Juniorprofessor after six years, and provided the general requirements are fulfilled, the candidate will qualify for appointment to a tenured full professorship (W 2). We refer to § 50 (5) 3 HochSchG – Higher Education Act in this context.

Severely handicapped applicants will be given preference if they are suitably qualified. The University of Trier is working to increase the number of female professors and strongly encourages female scholars to apply. The state of Rhineland-Palatinate and the University of Trier have a concept of intensive student support and thus expect faculty to be highly present on site.

Candidates are requested to submit their applications with the usual documentation (CV, list of publications, list of courses, course evaluations, certificates and copies of diploma), a short presentation of past and future research projects, and a concept paper on possible future course curricula for Papyrology to the Dean of the department (Fachbereich III), Prof. Dr. Torsten Mattern, 54286 Trier, in digital form (one single pdf file) to dekanatfb3@uni-trier.de until 31 May 2020.