



The Faculty of Language, Literature and Media Studies invites applications for a tenure-track appointment at the level of

Assistant Professor (Juniorprofessorin/Juniorprofessor) of anglophone American Literature (W1 with tenure-track to a W 2 position, LBesG) (m/f/d)

starting in April 2021.

The holder of the position is supposed to represent American Studies with a focus on anglophone American literature 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. The duties of the position include research, teaching (4-6 hours per week) and conducting examinations in the degree programs “Anglistik” and “Lehramt Englisch” as well as participation in academic self-administration.

The successful applicant is expected to participate in the organization and further development of the degree programmes offered by the English Department and to collaborate in relevant interdisciplinary research networks (e.g. the research cluster "Cultures in Transition") and centers of Trier University (e.g. the Center for American Studies and the Center for Canadian Studies). It is expected that the holder of the position will be able to represent the subject of American Literature in full historical depth and theoretical breadth if the professorship is transferred permanently.

We are seeking candidates who have completed their PhD in the field of anglophone American Literature with excellent results. Beyond the focus set by the dissertation, candidates must demonstrate through publications, presentations, projects or project applications that they have carried out research in one further area. One or more of the research foci should be situated in the areas of visual and digital media (with reference to anglophone cultures) or transcultural studies.

Applicants must meet the general requirements according to public services law and the Higher Education Act of Rhineland-Palatinate (§§ 54, 55 HochSchG – Higher Education Act). We expect the ability to teach in German.

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 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) 3 HochSchG – Higher Education Act in this context.

The State of Rhineland-Palatinate and Trier University are committed to intensive personal mentoring for students and, therefore, expect strong presence of teaching staff at the University. Trier University aims to increase the quota of women in research and teaching, and encourages female academics to apply. Disabled candidates with appropriate qualifications will be given priority. Applicants must submit the usual documents (curriculum vitae, copies of certificates, list of publications, list of courses) as well as information on current research projects to the Dean of the Faculty II of Trier University, Prof. Sebastian Hoffmann, 54286 Trier (dekanatfb2@uni-trier.de) in a single PDF document. The deadline for submission is 15th November 2020.