

The Faculty of Humanities invites applications for a permanent professorship with civil servant status (grade W3 NBesO) at the Seminar for German Philology effective at the earliest possible date.

W3 Professorship in German Philology / Literary Studies (Modern German Literature) (f/m/d)

We are seeking a committed and team-oriented colleague to represent the subject in an appropriate historical and systematic breadth with a focus on both German-language literature from 1945 to the present and literary theory.

The successful candidate will be expected to participate in existing study programmes and academic centres in which the Faculty of Humanities is involved. The University of Göttingen values research-oriented teaching. The Faculty of Humanities explicitly welcomes teaching and research approaches that emphasise gender-sensitive perspectives.

In addition to demonstrating professional expertise, the successful candidate must be committed to teaching. This includes developing and ensuring the quality of educational plans and study programmes along with benchmarks for quality. The successful candidate must also be willing to actively engage in self-administration in committees of the Seminar for German Philology and the Faculty of Humanities.

Outstanding, internationally recognised publications are a prerequisite, as is experience in the independent and competitive acquisition of third-party funding. The successful candidate should also demonstrate the willingness to assume a leading role in the preparation, application and realisation of research networks.

Appointment requirements are stipulated by Article 25 of the Lower Saxony Higher Education Act in the most current version of that law. As a rule, junior professors and other members of the University of Göttingen can only be considered for a professorial appointment if after the completion of the doctoral thesis they have transferred to another university or worked for a minimum of two years in research elsewhere. The University of Göttingen is a Public Law Foundation and thereby entitled to award professorships. Details will be provided upon request.

Applications from abroad are explicitly welcome. The University of Göttingen strives to increase the proportion of women in areas where women are underrepresented and therefore explicitly invites qualified female scholars to apply. The University has committed itself to being a family-friendly institution and supports its employees in balancing work and family life. The University is particularly committed to the professional participation of disabled employees and therefore welcomes applications from persons with disabilities. In the case of equivalent qualifications, applications from disabled persons will be given preference. In order for the University to be able to protect the interests of the applicant, information about a disability or equal status should be included in the application.

Applications should include a curriculum vitae, a list of publications as well as a research and teaching concept. Please address your application to the Dean of the Faculty of Humanities of the University of Göttingen, Humboldtallee 17, 37073 Göttingen, and send it as a PDF file to bewerbungen.philfak@phil.uni-goettingen.de by June 4, 2026.

If you have further questions, please contact the Dean's Office of the Faculty of Humanities (dekanat@phil.uni-goettingen.de).

The submission of the application constitutes consent under the data protection law and allows us to process your application data. For more details on the legal basis and data use, please refer to the information sheet on the [General Data Protection Regulation \(GDPR\)](#).

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