

Job advertisement reference number 81/2024

The Max Weber Centre for Advanced Cultural and Social Studies (Max-Weber-Kolleg) at the University of Erfurt invites applications in the fields of Classics, Music Didactics, North American and Modern History, Early Christianity, Philosophy, Religious Studies, Sociology and Social Sciences as well as related subjects within the framework of the International Graduate School (IGS) "Resonant Self-World Relations in Ancient and Modern Socio-Religious Practices" directed by Prof. Dr. Jörg Rüpke and Prof. Dr. Hartmut Rosa (Erfurt) and Univ.-Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Spickermann and Univ.-Prof. Dr. Ursula Gärtner (Graz) funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG) and the Austrian Research Foundation (FWF) for a

Research Associate (f/m/d)

Pay category E 13 TV-L (80 %, 32 h/week)

Area of Responsibility

- pursuing a research project within the IGS research framework
- active participation in the interdisciplinary research programme, in conferences and publications
- support in preparing the final presentation of the results of the research project (third mission, public dissemination)
- administrative duties related to the project
- preparing and teaching courses (2 LVS) in the subject area

In addition to your own research, you will collaborate closely with the other members of the IGS both in Erfurt and in Graz.

What we expect

- excellent academic degree (Master or equivalent) and excellent dissertation in one of the above-named disciplines
- organizational skills and intercultural competencies
- excellent knowledge of the languages relevant to the proposed project
- conversation management skills and experience in science communication
- willingness to cooperate with colleagues with the interdisciplinary research environment of the Max-Weber-Kolleg, in particular the IGS, and the University of Graz

What we offer

The University of Erfurt promotes the compatibility of career and family/private life and supports flexible working hours. For academic staff, it offers a wide range of further training opportunities as well as coaching and mentoring as part of academic staff development (www.uni-erfurt.de/go/akademische-pke). In addition, there are a number of health and prevention offers as part of the company health management programme.

Comments/Remarks

The position is tied to third-party funding and ends 30 September 2026 with the conclusion of the project. As an International Research Group, the programme's primary language is English. The Call for Applications is addressed to applicants who fulfill the requirements of the German Act on Temporary Scientific Contracts (Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz). The general requirements for employment according to § 91 section 5 Thuringian Higher Education Act (Thüringer Hochschulgesetz) apply.

If you have a foreign university degree, it is necessary that you apply for a certificate application at the Central Office for Foreign Education (Zentralstelle für ausländisches Bildungswesen, ZAB). We recommend that you attach the corresponding certificate to your application documents, but you can also provide this certificate at a later stage of the process. Please note that this is a chargeable service provided by the ZAB. For more information, please visit www.kmk.org/zab/zeugnisbewertung.

The University of Erfurt sees itself as an open-minded employer that values diversity. It is committed to diversity and gender equality and welcomes applications that contribute to this. The University of Erfurt has successfully passed the "shaping diversity" audit, has been audited as a "family-friendly university" and has received the rating "equality excellent" in the female professor programme III of the federal and state governments. Severely disabled persons and those with equal status are given preference in the case of equal suitability, professional performance, and ability. The working environment of the research group is fully accessible for handicapped persons.

Inquiries may be made to Dr. Elisabeth Begemann (e-mail: elisabeth.begemann@uni-erfurt.de).

Application and Deadline

Please send your application with informative documents (cover letter, curriculum vitae, copies of certificates: school and university degrees, a recent letter of recommendation, outline of your proposed project of approx. 2000-2500 words [including a stringent discussion of your research question, state of research, methodology and guiding hypotheses, work plan], list of publications and university courses taught, if applicable, a digital version of your PhD dissertation) **exclusively online** by **31 January 2025** via the application management system of the University of Erfurt.

Reimbursement of Expenses

The University of Erfurt does not refund any costs incurred in the application process.