

Doctoral Positions in the GRF-Funded Research Training Group "Literature and the Public Sphere in Differentiated Contemporary Cultures" (m/f/d)

Philosophische Fakultät und Fachbereich Theologie, Erlangen, TV-L E 13, Teilzeit, Befristete Anstellung: 36 Monate, Bewerbungsschluss: 01.05.2025

Your Workplace

Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg (FAU) invites applications for the following positions in the Research Training Group 2806 "Literature and the Public Sphere in Differentiated Contemporary Cultures", funded by the German Research Foundation:

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The interdisciplinary Research Training Group (RTG) aims to analyze contemporary literatures since 1945 in different public and cultural contexts. It examines the conditions that enable and influence different literatures in the public sphere, thereby focusing on their cultural specificities, potentials and functions. It uses a broad concept of literature, including the digitalization of society and its consequences, socio-cultural political and economic contexts, (inter-)mediality and media competition, institutional conditions, the literary industry and literary life as objects of enquiry.

The RTG considers literatures from different cultural contexts and language areas, including 'small literatures' and minority cultures on different continents. Accordingly, it investigates the interactions between literatures and public spheres in a differentiated manner. Adopting a comparative and transnational perspective, the RTG takes into account digital, praxeological, cultural studies and philological methods and supports research projects from social, media, material, ethical or economic studies.

Benefits: We Have a Lot To Offer

- Regular promotion to the next level and increase in salary pursuant to the collective bargaining agreement for the public service of the German Länder (TV-L) or remuneration pursuant to the Bavarian Public Servants Remuneration Act (BayBesG) plus an additional annual bonus
- 30 days annual leave at five working days per week with additional free days on December 24 and 31
- Occupational pension scheme and asset accumulation savings scheme

Your Tasks

- Independent research and completion of a dissertation within the thematic scope of the Research Training Group "Literature and the Public Sphere in Differentiated Contemporary

Cultures.”

- Active participation in interdisciplinary events, workshops, and colloquia organized by the Research Training Group
- Collaboration with other doctoral researchers as well as national and international scholars within the research network
- Contribution to the organization and execution of Research Training Group activities (e.g. conferences, lectures, readings)
- Engagement and cooperation with the partner institutions involved in the Research Training Group
- If applicable, presentation of research findings at national and international conferences, as well as publication in relevant academic journals or media

Your Profile

- Excellent academic degree in one of the following fields: Digital Humanities, Book Studies, (Cultural) Sociology, Media/Communication Studies, Romance Studies, Comparative Literature, American Studies, English Studies, or German Studies
- Innovative project proposal
- Intercultural competence and an interest in interdisciplinary work
- Proficiency in abstract theoretical thinking
- Proven experience in applying fundamental research methods relevant to the RTG
- Proficiency in the two working languages of the RTG: B2 level in both German and English, C1 level in either German or English
- Initial publications, presentations, or administrative experience in the academic field (e.g. as a student assistant) are desirable
- Independence and ability to work in a team to contribute to an interdisciplinary research project

Additional Information

11 doctoral positions are available. An extension of the doctoral positions by 6 months is possible.

For more information on the qualification concept and the researchers involved in the RTG, please visit:

<https://www.literaturundoeffentlichkeit.phil.fau.de>. For content-related questions please contact the two speakers of the RTG: dirk.niefanger@fau.de and antje.kley@fau.de. For organizational matters please reach out to the coordinators: grk2806-koordination@fau.de.

Please submit the following documents with your application:

1. cover letter
2. curriculum vitae
3. research proposal (8–10 pages)
4. academic certificates (MA, State Exam or equivalent degree)
5. language certificate(s) (may be submitted within 1 year if necessary)

6. work sample (e.g. master thesis)

Interessiert?

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