Call for Applications

The European University Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder) invites applications for a

W3-Professorship for Digital Political Communication (m/f/d/x)

to be filled as soon as possible. This position at the European New School of Digital Studies is co-assigned to the Faculty of Social and Cultural Sciences.

The European New School of Digital Studies (ENS) is a transdisciplinary teaching and research institution of the European University Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder). It combines law, politics, economics and social sciences with technical expertise to research the impact of digital transformation on European societies. The ENS is based at the Collegium Polonicum (CP), a joint Polish-German academic institution of the Adam Mickiewicz University Poznań and the Viadrina in the twin city of Frankfurt (Oder) / Słubice, which stands for cross-border cooperation in research and teaching.

Candidates should broadly represent the interdisciplinary research field in research and teaching, thus expanding the thematic focus of the ENS and at the same time complementing its central research questions. We are looking for academics whose research and teaching profile will strengthen the international dimension of Viadrina.

Given the profile of the ENS and the Faculty of Social and Cultural Sciences, the ideal candidate is expected to:

- have outstanding qualifications in communication studies, media studies, political science or social sciences
- demonstrate excellent research in the field of digital political communication, democracy and digital technologies through internationally visible and high-profile publications
- conduct research on the interface of digital transformation and political conflicts, polarization and campaigns
- have very good methodological knowledge and experience in data-driven research and/or digital methods
- demonstrate success in acquiring third-party funding and experience in project management as well as leadership experience
- prove experience of teaching in English at university level.
The following is non-essential, but considered an advantage:

- a substantial research focus on Eastern Central Europe or Eastern Europe and/or collaborations with colleagues from Eastern Central Europe or Eastern Europe
- experience in the establishment and further development of degree programs
- gender and diversity competence in research and teaching

The professorship is to be integrated into the existing and future teaching programs of ENS and the Viadrina faculties as well as the structured graduate program "Digital Transformations in, for and by Europe". It should also make an important contribution to the development of an interdisciplinary BA program at ENS based on the model of a Digital Liberal Arts College. German language skills are not a prerequisite, but we expect the successful candidate to be able to participate constructively in German-language meetings within two years after appointment.

Recruitment requirements result from § 41 of the Brandenburg Law on Higher Education (Brandenburgisches Hochschulgesetz, BbgHG). The professorship is permanent.

As part of its equal opportunities policy, the European University Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder) aims at significantly increasing the proportion of women in research and teaching. Female applicants are therefore explicitly encouraged to apply. Applicants with a migrant background and international applications are highly welcome. A key component of the HR strategy of the European University Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder) is to promote family-friendly working conditions and to support equal opportunities for people of all genders.

Disabled candidates will be given preference if they have the same qualifications and suitability for the position. The disability should be referred to in the application letter or at an easily visible position in the CV. It can also be mentioned in a separate note.

Please submit your application until 29.04.2024 via the University's Faculty recruitment portal (also accessible via www.europa-uni.de/stellenangebote).

In addition to the usual documents, please enclose a research and a teaching concept (max. 2 pages, respectively), a list of publications, a list of third-party funded projects, a list of taught courses, teaching evaluation results, as well as three publications particularly relevant for this position. All documents can be uploaded to the Faculty recruitment portal.

The Dean of the Faculty of Social and Cultural Sciences, Prof. Dr. Timm Beichelt (Phone: +49(0)335-5534-2581, Email: dekanat-kuwi@europa-uni.de), and the Director of the ENS, Prof. Dr. Jan-Hendrik Passoth (Phone: +49(0)335-5534-16-6876, Email: passoth@europa-uni.de), will be happy to provide you with information and answer any questions you may have. Questions regarding the Faculty recruitment portal can be addressed to Dr. Carina Brunner (Phone: +49(0)335-5534-4521, Email: berufungsmanagement@europa-uni.de).

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