

Call for Applications reference number 51/2022

The Max Weber Centre for Advanced Cultural and Social Studies (Max-Weber-Kolleg) at the University of Erfurt invites applications for up to

2 doctoral positions for Ph.D. projects (f/m/d)

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in the fields of Classics, **Music Didactics**, North American and Modern History, Early Christianity, **Religious Studies** and **Sociology** 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 Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Spickermann and Prof. Dr. Irmtraud Fischer (Graz), funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG) and the Austrian Research Foundation (FWF).

The positions are to be filled by 1 January 2023 for a period of 3 years.

The project is a cooperation between the Max-Weber-Kolleg at the University of Erfurt and the University of Graz. Participants are required to spend the second year of their participation in the programme at the cooperating university.

As an International Research Training Group, the programme's primary language is English.

Requirements

- excellent degree in one of the above named or related disciplines
- knowledge of English, German (at least reading skills, candidates without knowledge of German are requested to take courses) and other relevant languages
- willingness to cooperate with colleagues within the interdisciplinary research environment of the Max-Weber-Kolleg, in particular the IGS, and the University of Graz
- willingness to take part in the joint study programme and to move to the University of Graz for one academic year
- willingness to pursue a doctorate at the University of Erfurt

Core research fields and project suggestions in the framework of the IGS are outlined on the programme's website <https://www.uni-erfurt.de/max-weber-kolleg/forschung/forschungsgruppen-und-stellen/forschungsgruppen/igs-resonant-self-world-relations> (cf. "Suggested Projects"). Further proposals developed by applicants for research projects that fit the framework of "Resonant Self-World Relations" in the above named disciplines are welcome.

Comments / Remarks

The positions are tied to third-party funding and limited to a period of 3 years.

The Call for Application is aimed at applicants who fulfil the requirements of Academic Fixed-Term Contracts Act (Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz). General conditions of employment of the Thuringian University Act (Thüringer Hochschulgesetz, ThürHG) § 91 pass. 5 apply.

If you have a foreign university degree, you must apply to the Central Office for Foreign Education (Zentralstelle für ausländisches Bildungswesen, ZAB) for a Statement of Comparability for Foreign Higher Education Qualifications and enclose the relevant certificate within your application documents or provide it before signing a contract with the University of Erfurt, should you be selected for one of the positions. Please note that this is a service provided by the ZAB for which a fee is charged. You can find further information at www.kmk.org/zab/zeugnisbewertung.

The University of Erfurt is committed to diversity and gender equality. It has been audited as a "family-friendly university" and has received an excellent equality rating within the female professors program. One of the university's strategic goals is to increase the proportion of men in research and teaching. Qualified male scientists are therefore particularly encouraged to apply. Severely disabled persons and those with equal status are given preference in the case of equal suitability, professional performance, and ability.

The University of Erfurt promotes the compatibility of career and family and offers flexible working hours and further training opportunities as well as a range of health and prevention offers as part of the company health management.

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

Application Deadline

Your application must include the following: CV, outline of the Ph.D. project you would like to pursue (max. 5 pages) with a stringent discussion of your research questions, the state of research on the topic, the methodological approach and the leading hypotheses as well as a working schedule and projected date of completion, copies of your final school and university degrees, a copy of your MA or diploma thesis, and one letter of recommendation.

You should also indicate in your letter of motivation who among the members of the faculty (both in Erfurt and in Graz) you see as your **prospective supervisors**. Please send the application as **one pdf-file** (maximum of 10 MB) by **30. September 2022** to:

University of Erfurt • Max-Weber-Kolleg • mwk.bewerbungen@uni-erfurt.de

Prospective candidates will be invited to personal interviews conducted on 17. October 2022 in person or via video conferencing.

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Notice

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