



The Faculty of Humanities invites applications for the position of

## **University Professor (W 2) of**

### **Communication Studies: Media and Democracy**

as a fully tenured civil servant (m/f/d) to be filled as of 1 April 2028.

The successful candidate will represent the field of “Media and Democracy” and its interdependence in research and teaching. They are expected to focus their work on (1) media literacy– from a decidedly social science perspective. Additionally, or alternatively, they are expected to focus on (2) media evolution and/or (3) public communication. The public communication component centres on phenomena such as platformisation, hybrid media environments, alternative media and growing polarisation. Furthermore, an internationally comparative perspective is desirable in all three focus areas; these three focus areas may also be approached from ethical or historical perspectives.

The holder of the post is expected to contribute to the bachelor’s and master’s degree programmes in Communication Studies.

The successful candidate is also expected to contribute to academic self-government and international exchange programmes.

The relevant qualifications consist of a completed academic degree, pedagogical aptitude and a particular talent for academic work generally substantiated by the excellent qualification of the candidate’s doctoral degree and, in addition to this, further academic achievements. Additional academic credentials must be certified by a Habilitation or equivalent academic qualification which may also have been obtained through activities outside of higher education or within the scope of an assistant professorship.

Concerning tenured positions as a civil servant (Beamtenverhältnis), the candidate must be under the age of 52 years at the time of appointment (for exceptional cases see Art. 60 Abs. 3 Satz 2 BayHIG).

Where candidates are otherwise equally qualified, preference will be given to candidates with disabilities.

The University of Bamberg has been certified by the Hertie Foundation as a family-friendly university. It is particularly committed to helping reconcile work and family life. The university promotes gender equality in the workplace and endeavours to increase the proportion of women in research and teaching. In the case of equal aptitude, qualifications and expertise, preference is given to women. The faculty seeks to increase the proportion of women in research and teaching and therefore encourages applications from female scholars.

The University of Bamberg is a member of the regional Dual Career Network (DCNN) and provides support for the spouses or partners of newly appointed staff. More information can be found at

<http://www.dualcareer-nordbayern.de>.

Applications from abroad are particularly welcome. Both the ability and willingness to teach in English are required. As a rule, proficiency in German is a prerequisite for employment; in individual cases, courses may be offered exclusively in English during the first two years.

Applications including relevant documents (curriculum vitae, list of publications, list of courses taught, copies of certificates and diplomas) in German or English are generally to be submitted in electronic form to the Dean of the Faculty of Humanities (email: [bewerbungen.guk@uni-bamberg.de](mailto:bewerbungen.guk@uni-bamberg.de)), University of Bamberg, 96045 Bamberg no later than 31 August 2026.