

The University of Passau owes its strong visibility and good reputation to excellent research, innovative teaching and its tight-knit international academic networks. Some 11,000 students and more than 1,300 staff study and work on our university campus, which is located a stone's throw from the historical Old Town of Passau and combines state-of-the-art technical infrastructure with award-winning architecture. Internationally successful high-tech companies and a vibrant start-up scene, coupled with a rich culture and Lower Bavarian traditions, give Passau and the surrounding area a special appeal that makes it a great place to live and work.

The **Faculty of Social and Educational Sciences** of the University of Passau invites applications for the tenured civil-service post of

Chair of Developmental and Health Psychology (pay grade W3)

to start on 1 October 2026.

Applicants should have a proven track record in research on developmental and health psychology with a focus on school-related topics.

Developmental and health psychology findings and methods will be used to research and help overcome key challenges in schools. Examples include topics such as learning and developmental disorders (dyslexia, dyscalculia, ADHD), but also stress management and prevention, or the conscious use of digital media. Your research should focus on investigations into the impact and effectiveness of psychological support measures.

One focus of the instructional tasks is the teaching of the psychological foundations of school and teaching in German in accordance with the Bavarian LPO I (Educational Science Studies, Psychology in the areas of the subject-specific admission requirements and the content-related examination requirements specified in § 32 LPO I). Competencies for the training of teachers must be demonstrated. In addition, the professorship is required to participate in other programmes offered by the Faculty of Social and Educational Sciences. Furthermore, interdisciplinary cooperation with other faculties and institutes of the University of Passau is expected, in particular with the newly founded Institute of Health Sciences.

The University of Passau is committed to strengthening educational research and teaching with the aim of innovative, research-based and practice-oriented teacher training. The successful candidate is expected to make a decisive contribution to the realisation of this goal. Publications in international peer-reviewed journals as well as experience in the successful acquisition of third-party funding are also required.

Academics at our five faculties conduct research, teaching and knowledge transfer activities at the cutting edge and according to the most exacting standards. Europe, sustainability and digitalisation are particular focal points of intensive inter- and transdisciplinary collaboration within the University and with our many national and international partners. As a sustainable, internationally visible and attractive university in and for Europe, the University of Passau seeks to make important contributions to solving the numerous challenges – both globally and locally.

The **Faculty of Social and Educational Sciences** is home to teacher education programmes for all school types as well as a wide range of interdisciplinary bachelor's and master's programmes. These programmes are known for their outstanding academic quality and are delivered using an array of innovative teaching methods at both the undergraduate and postgraduate levels. The research areas within the faculty are also characterised by a diverse range of content and methodological approaches.

The successful candidate will be educated to doctoral level in the area of psychology and have demonstrated both pedagogical aptitude and academic excellence, whereby the latter is generally established on the basis of the quality of his or her doctoral research and subsequent academic achievements. He or she will, furthermore, possess the German formal postdoctoral *habilitation* qualification or an equivalent body of academic achievements garnered whilst employed at an institution of higher education, for instance as a *juniorprofessor* or in a comparable position with a different title (e.g. assistant professor or lecturer), insofar as the duties and qualification profile correspond to those of a juniorprofessor position, or by leading a junior research group under the conditions specified in Art. 98(10) sentence 5 of the Bavarian Higher Education Innovation Act (BayHIG); the habilitation-equivalent achievements may also have been attained outside the higher education system. In accordance with Art. 60(3) sentence 1 BayHIG, candidates must not be more than 52 years of age at the time of their appointment.

The University of Passau actively promotes equal opportunities for all genders as well as diversity in the workforce; therefore, applications are welcome from all candidates who fulfil the requisite qualifications, without regard to gender, cultural or social background, religion, world view, disability or sexual identity. As the University of Passau wishes to raise the proportion of women in research and teaching, female academics are expressly encouraged to apply. This position is suitable for candidates with disabilities. Those who are registered disabled are given preference over non-disabled applicants who do not otherwise have statutory preferential status if their overall personal aptitudes, skills and qualifications are equal.

To be considered, your application must reach the University by **26 November 2025**. Your full application should include all relevant supporting documents (curriculum vitae, list of publications, teaching assignments, teaching evaluations etc.) and should preferably be sent by e-mail to bewerbung@sobi.uni-passau.de. It should be addressed to the Dean of the Faculty of Social and Educational Sciences of the University of Passau, Professor Maximilian Sailer, 94030 Passau. When e-mailing your application, all application documents should be attached as a single pdf file. E-mailed applications are kept on file for six months after the conclusion of the appointment procedure, whereupon they are deleted from our systems.

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