

The University of Klagenfurt wants to attract more qualified women for professorships.

The University of Klagenfurt is pleased to announce the open position of a

### **Professor of English Literature**

at the Department of English, Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Education, in compliance with either the provisions of § 98 or § 99 Austrian Universities Act. This is a full-time position, available from 1<sup>st</sup> of October 2025. The decision of either § 98 (unlimited term) or § 99 (five years fixed term) depends on the candidates' qualifications and will be made upon appointment.

The University of Klagenfurt is a young, vibrant, and innovative university located at the intersection of Alpine and Mediterranean cultures in an area that offers exceptionally high quality of life. According to § 6 of the Universities Act, this is a public university and receives federal funding. The university aspires to the motto "Beyond Boundaries!". In the Times Higher Education (THE) Young University Rankings 2021 it was ranked among the best 50 young universities worldwide.

In accordance with its strategic road map, the primary guiding principles and objectives of the university include the pursuit of scientific excellence for appointed professors, favourable research conditions, a good faculty-student ratio, and the promotion of young researchers.

The **duties** of the position include:

- Representing the field of English Literature in teaching and research with a focus on **British and Postcolonial Literatures**, particularly literatures of the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries and with special consideration of **perspectives from Cultural Studies**
- Teaching in the degree programmes of the Department of English (Bachelor and Master and PhD levels)
- Advising and mentoring of students and supervision of B.A. and M.A. theses
- Advising and mentoring of junior academic colleagues
- Contributing to the strategic development of the Department of English and to its international standing
- Active participation in university management and assuming leadership duties

**Required qualifications:**

- Relevant university degree and doctoral degree/PhD in English Literature and Cultural Studies
- Habilitation or equivalent qualification in English Literature (focus on British and/or Postcolonial Literatures)
- Excellent research and publication record in the aforementioned areas of specialization
- High international impact in the relevant research areas
- Expertise in the field of Cultural Studies
- Proof of university level teaching experience in the focal topics of the position and tertiary level teaching skills
- Excellent English language skills
- Good German language skills (B2) are expected, or the willingness to acquire B2 proficiency within two years of assuming the position
- Leadership skills and capacity for teamwork

### Additional qualifications:

- Comprehensive experience in international research co-operations
- Expertise in the fields of Film- /TV-Studies and/or New Media- /Game Studies
- Willingness and ability to promote the development of the subject of English Literature
- Willingness and ability for interdisciplinary co-operations
- Experience designing and carrying out third-party funded projects
- Experience in university self-management, where appropriate, with leadership role
- Willingness to contribute to the development of the Department and dissemination skills
- Willingness to co-operate across disciplines and to contribute to research foci at the Faculty of Humanities and the university (e.g. Visual Culture, Gender Studies, Digital Humanities, PhD programme COINT)
- Expertise in the field of gender mainstreaming and diversity management

The duties of the professorship require that the awarded candidate will establish Klagenfurt as primary place of work.

The university is committed to increasing the number of women among its academic staff, particularly in high-level positions, and therefore specifically invites applications from qualified women. Among equally qualified candidates, women will receive preferential consideration.

People with disabilities or chronic diseases who meet the qualification criteria are explicitly invited to apply.

The salary is subject to negotiation. The minimum gross salary for a position at this level (salary group A1 for University Staff according to the Austrian Universities' Collective Bargaining Agreement) is currently € 89,100 per year.

In accordance with the Austrian Income Tax Act an attractive relocation tax allowance can be granted for the first five years if appointed as professor in Austria. The prerequisites are subject to examination on a case-by-case basis.

Please submit your application, consisting of a **mandatory principal part not exceeding five pages** (for more detailed information please refer to [jobs.aau.at/en/](https://jobs.aau.at/en/)), a complete list of publications and lectures, a list of all courses taught in the last five years, and any supplementary documents where applicable (e.g. course evaluations), via e-mail to [application\\_professorship@aau.at](mailto:application_professorship@aau.at) no later than December 4, 2024. **Submission of the mandatory principal part mentioned above constitutes a necessary condition for the application to be valid.**

For general information please refer to the information leaflet provided at [jobs.aau.at/en/the-university-as-employer/](https://jobs.aau.at/en/the-university-as-employer/). For specific information about the position please contact Univ.-Prof. Dr. Alexander Onysko (Phone: +43 463 2700 2530; [alexander.onysko@aau.at](mailto:alexander.onysko@aau.at)).

We regret that the University of Klagenfurt cannot reimburse applicants' travel and lodging expenses incurred as part of the selection and/or hiring process.

Translations into languages other than German shall serve informational purposes only. Solely the version advertised in the University Bulletin (Mitteilungsblatt) shall be legally binding.