

The University of Koblenz is the youngest university in Germany – while also preserving a long-standing academic tradition. A multitude of transdisciplinary research projects spanning several institutions concentrated on a compact campus favourably affects our university routine. As the interdisciplinary university in the north of Rhineland-Palatinate with more than 9,800 students, we live the knowledge – transformation – innovation triad in our four profile areas “Education”, “Computer Science”, “Culture and its Mediation” as well as “Material and Environment”.

We provide and conduct state-of-the-art teacher-training studies for all school types and maintain the transfer of our research results to civic society and regional businesses in a resilient and sustainable way. Join an aspiring university community and aid in advancing our further growth!

Faculty 2: Arts and Humanities offers a permanent



university professorship (W2 per LBesG, conferring with civil-service status) for Practical Philosophy with a Focus on Moral Philosophy (m/f/d)

at the Institute for Philosophy which is to be filled from 01.10.2027.

Within the “Culture and its Mediation” research profile, Faculty 2 focuses on researching mediation processes—their forms, potential, and limitations—in politics, society, and culture. Faculty 2 collaborates with the other profile areas at the University of Koblenz as well as with regional and municipal institutions. Another related, cross-institutional focus of the faculty is “Interpretations of the World.” This involves researching the various meaningful realities in which people live, with a particular emphasis on the threats to and safeguards of democracy. Faculty 2 places special emphasis on interdisciplinary research.

The Institute for Philosophy is responsible for the Moral Philosophy and philosophy teacher-training programs, as well as the philosophy subject in the dual-major bachelor’s program, the interdisciplinary master’s program, and the dual-major master’s program, and for the range of study programmes, including “Nature and Culture.”

The successful candidate is expected to proactively integrate their own research into practical philosophy and the disciplinary priorities of Faculty 2, while being able to establish systematic connections to the above-mentioned research priorities. Collaboration with the other institutes in the faculty of 2 is expressly expected in order to develop and carry out joint research projects, for example in the areas of “Interpretations of the World” (“Deutungen von Welt”) or “Democracy”.

Key responsibilities:

The position holder will be responsible for representing the subject Practical Philosophy with a Focus on Moral Philosophy in research and teaching. He/She should have an outstanding track record in research in Practical Philosophy with a Focus on Moral Philosophy.

Research is expected to focus on anthropological foundations of Moral Philosophy and on current ethical debates. A focus in research on “Interpretations of the World” (“Deutungen von Welt”) and “Democracy” will be a plus.

In addition, active engagement in the acquisition of third-party funding will be expected.

In addition, the position holders responsibilities include promoting the transfer of ideas, knowledge and technology.

The position holder's responsibilities will include actively recruiting and developing young scientists.

The teaching load is currently nine hours per week per semester.

The position holder will be expected to teach in the courses of the subject specific degree programs and the discipline units of the teacher training degree programs.

Administering examinations in all degree programs of the Institute for Philosophy is also required.

The willingness to cooperate across and within disciplines and in general is a prerequisite.

It is also expected that the position holder will take on responsibilities in academic self-government.

The position holder will be expected to play a significant role in shaping the institute through her/his own ideas and emphases and actively generate initiatives that contribute to developing the profile.

Recruitment requirements:

The recruitment requirements of Section 49 of the Higher Education Act (HochSchG) of the State of Rhineland-Palatinate apply. The statute requires a completed higher education, a qualified doctorate in philosophy, pedagogical aptitude and additional scientific achievements.

Experience in acquiring and managing externally funded projects documented with an overview of past third-party funding activities will be a plus. A research concept must also be presented.

Both good German and good English language skills are required, as courses are offered in both languages.

Special didactic skills and teaching experience are required and must be demonstrated by presenting a teaching concept.

The State of Rhineland-Palatinate and the University of Koblenz advocate a concept of intensive student mentoring and therefore expect a high face-to-face presence at the university.

The University of Koblenz is a place of diversity and welcomes qualified applications by individuals from different backgrounds.

Women with equivalent aptitude, competence and professional performance are given preferential consideration in hiring, to the extent that as long as there is an under-representation. This ceases to apply when an applicant's caliber outweighs the requirement for gender equality. Questions regarding the compatibility of private life and career as well as matters of equal opportunities will be answered by the the equal opportunities commissioner of the department Prof. Dr. Angela Kaupp (kaupp@uni-koblenz.de).

Severely disabled applicants with identical qualifications are given preference in hiring.

For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Jürgen Goldstein (goldstein@uni-koblenz.de).

Applicants are asked to send their documents (curriculum vitae with academic background, certificates, research concept, overview of third-party funding, teaching concept, etc.) only via e-mail in one PDF file to bewerbung@uni-koblenz.de **no later than 16.10.2026** marked with the **identification number 092/2026**.

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