

The University of Koblenz is Germany's youngest university—yet it also boasts a long academic tradition. Interdisciplinary and cross-departmental collaboration, as well as short distances across campus, define everyday life at the university. As an interdisciplinary university in northern Rhineland-Palatinate with approximately 9,800 students, we embody knowledge, transformation, and innovation in our focus areas of “Education,” “Computer Science,” “Culture and Education,” and “Materials and Environment.” We are committed to forward-looking teacher training for all types of schools and shape the transfer of knowledge to society and the regional economy.

Join our team and help shape our future development!



**We are seeking to fill the position of
Research associate with doctorate opportunity (m/f/d)
at the Institute for Integrated Natural Sciences,
Physical Geography Research Group**

The part-time position (29.25 hours/week) is limited to three years. The fixed-term appointment is governed by the provisions of the German Act on Fixed-Term Employment Contracts in Academia (WissZeitVG). Teaching responsibilities are defined by the regulations of the Rhineland-Palatinate Higher Education Teaching Obligation Ordinance (HLehrVO). The teaching language is German.

Your Responsibilities

In the Physical Geography research group, your responsibilities will include teaching courses, primarily for the teacher training programs in Geography and the Bio/Geosciences program, as well as participating in the research group's projects. The position offers the opportunity for academic advancement through the completion of a dissertation. The dissertation topic must be selected within the framework of a research project of the research group in the field of landscape genesis/geoarchaeology.

Your Profile

Requirements:

- A successfully completed university degree in Geography (M.Sc./M.Ed.), Earth Sciences (M.Sc.), or Geoarchaeology (M.Sc.)
- Interest in physical-geographical issues at the intersection of Quaternary research and geoarchaeology
- Willingness to undertake fieldwork stays lasting several weeks in Germany and abroad
- Good language skills in German and English
- Motivation, ability to work in a team, and strong communication and organizational skills
- Class B driver's license

Experience in the micromorphological analysis of sediment and soil thin sections and in digital image processing is advantageous. Theoretical and practical knowledge of additional sedimentological and pedological laboratory and field methods is welcome.

The State of Rhineland-Palatinate and the University of Koblenz advocate a concept of intensive student support and therefore expect a high level of faculty presence on campus.

We offer

- an exciting and highly varied scope of responsibilities within a collegial team with open communication structures
- compensation according to Pay Grade 13 of the TV-L, as well as
- the standard social benefits in the public sector as per the TV-L (annual bonus, pension plan (VBL))
- Work-life balance, flexible working hours
- Extensive opportunities for continuing education and professional development
- Diverse sports program with health-promoting activities

The University of Koblenz welcomes applications from all age groups, regardless of gender identity, disability, ethnic or cultural background, religion, worldview, or sexual orientation. We are striving to increase the proportion of women and are therefore particularly interested in applications from women. In cases of equal suitability and qualifications, women will be given preference if they are underrepresented. People with severe disabilities will be given preference if their professional and personal qualifications are otherwise equal.

For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Martin Kehl (email: mkehl@uni-koblenz.de, phone: 0261 287 2277).

Please send your complete application materials by **August 28, 2026**, quoting the **reference number 061/2026**, **exclusively via email as a single PDF file** to bewerbung@uni-koblenz.de. Please refrain from submitting application photos. Upon completion of the selection process, the application materials will be destroyed in accordance with data protection regulations.