

Trier University conducts cutting edge, socially important research and teaching, focusing on digitalization, interdisciplinarity, and diversity. Our research emphasis is on people and their relationships with society, law, the economy, and the environment. Currently, with around 10,000 students and approximately 2,000 employees, Trier University ranks among the largest employers in the European border region of Trier. Short distances on a green campus, a vibrant academic life, and an open-minded working culture provide numerous opportunities for implementing groundbreaking research projects and contemporary teaching.

The following position is available in Faculty V - Law at the University of Trier as of April 1, 2026:

W1 Junior Professorship in Public Law and the Law of the Commons with tenure track to W 3 (LBesG) (m/f/d)

This junior professorship is aimed at young scientists in the early stages of their careers, possessing extraordinary potential for further advancement in science.

The future holder of this position will represent German public law in research and teaching. Publications or other relevant preparatory work demonstrate that he or she has a focus on the law of the commons (water, climate, energy, public space) and is prepared to further strengthen the profile of Trier University in the field of nature and society. The Institute for German and European Water Law opens further perspectives.

A willingness to acquire external funding is a prerequisite. A willingness to participate in existing or future Bachelor's, Magister, or Master's degree programs in the department is desirable. The basic courses have to be held in German. The ability to lecture in English or French is an advantage.

The official duties arise from § 48 of the Higher Education Act of Rhineland- Palatinate (HochSchG). The requirements for employment stem from § 54 HochSchG.

According to Sections 54 and 55 of the HochSchG, junior professorships are generally filled for a period of six years. An evaluation of the level of performance in teaching, research, or art takes place at the earliest after the third year of employment and at the latest before the end of the fourth year of employment. Following the period of the junior professorship, a permanent transfer of the aforementioned professorship (Bes.Gr. W3 LBesG) is planned if the holder of the position has proven himself or herself in accordance with the relevant university law regulations (evaluation procedures) and meets the general service law and personal requirements. Reference is made to Section 50, Paragraph 5, Sentence 6 of the HochSchG in this context.

The State of Rhineland-Palatinate and the University of Trier are committed to intensive personal mentoring for students and, therefore, expect a strong presence of teaching staff at the University. Trier University aims to increase the proportion of female professors and strongly encourages female academics to apply. Severely disabled persons and those treated as equals in accordance with § 2 Para. 3 SGB IX will be given preferential consideration if they are suitable (please enclose proof).

Applications should be submitted in a single PDF-file by 30th September 2025

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Applications with curricula vitae, copies of certificates, a list of lectures and publications, and an overview of previous teaching activities (if applicable, with evaluation results) are requested **no later than 30th September 2025** to the Dean of Faculty V - Law, Professor Dr. Mohamad El-Ghazi, Trier University, D-54286 Trier, in electronic form only (one single PDF) to dekanatfb5@uni-trier.de. We request that up to five publications be submitted (in digital form only), that emphasize the applicant's qualifications for the advertised position, particularly the doctoral thesis.

For more details on the processing of your personal data, please refer to the data protection information for application procedures in accordance with Article 13 DSGVO on our homepage.