



The Department of Cultural Studies at TU Dortmund University is offering the following position (starting at the earliest possible date):

Professorship (W2) in Basic Language Literacy German in Heterogeneous Learning Contexts

Our profile

TU Dortmund University comprises 17 departments in the natural and engineering sciences as well as the humanities and social sciences and is a dynamic university with a strong profile in research, teaching, promotion of young scientists and transfer.

The Department of Cultural Studies combines a broad range of degree programs with high-profile research areas that attract significant external funding: It offers teacher training degree programs for all types of schools in the subjects of German and English, as well as subject degree programs such as Applied Linguistics, Literature, and Cultural Studies. Through the Institute of Journalism and distinctive initiatives and institutions like the Academy in Exile and the educational TV channel NRWision, it provides important impetus in academia, the media, and societal transfer.

Profile of the professorship

You represent German Studies in research, focusing on the areas of written language acquisition (taking into account heterogeneous developmental trajectories) and/or inclusive approaches to language – in each case incorporating didactic perspectives – and develop these areas further with (inter)national visibility. Additional desired research areas include writing development, multimodal communication, and/or reading promotion. In doing so, you participate in research networks and cooperations within and outside TU Dortmund University and the University Alliance Ruhr and are committed to promoting early career researchers. You participate appropriately in the teaching activities of the department and, within the German Studies Program, are responsible in particular for program-specific courses for the elementary school teaching track and special education.

Your qualifications

You have obtained a doctorate with above-average success and have acquired a post-doctoral lecture qualification (Habilitation) or an equivalent qualification. You have demonstrated your research excellence in the field covered by the professorship through continuous publications in (inter-)national recognized peer-reviewed venues, especially in recent years, and have experience in acquiring third-party funding. Additionally, you have the potential for teaching excellence. Social and leadership skills and the willingness to participate in academic self-administration complete your profile. Moreover, the recruitment requirements in Sections 36 and 37 of the North Rhine-Westphalia Higher Education Act (Gesetz über die Hochschulen des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen, HG) apply.

Attractive environment

We offer an excellent academic environment and attractive cooperation opportunities with renowned international, national, and regional partners. The metropolitan Ruhr Area with the University Alliance Ruhr (UA Ruhr) guarantees short distances to a diversity of partners from science and industry. With our Dual Career Service, we support your partner in finding professional opportunities in the region, if desired. We will be happy to provide information about housing and living in Dortmund and help you find childcare options. If you are coming to us from abroad, our Welcome Service will support you upon your arrival in Germany.

Diversity welcome

A central goal of TU Dortmund University is to promote diversity and equal opportunities. We strive to significantly increase the percentage of women in research and teaching and therefore welcome applications from female academics. We give preference to severely disabled applicants if their qualifications meet the requirements. We support the compatibility of family and career and promote gender equality in academia and research.

Your application

If you are interested in the position, please submit your application by **25.11.2026** via our application portal.

Details on the application process and the preparation of application documents can be found here:

berufung.tu-dortmund.de/en/application

Questions will be answered by the Dean of the Department of Cultural Studies, Dr. Ramona Schröpf, tel: +49 231/755-2917 or ramona.schroepf@tu-dortmund.de.

Further information about the Department of Cultural Studies can be found at kuwi.tu-dortmund.de.

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