

The University of Bonn is an international research university with a wide education and research profile. With a 200-year history, approximately 31,500 students, more than 6,000 staff, and an excellent reputation at home and abroad, the University of Bonn is one of the most important universities in Germany and is recognized as a University of excellence.

In the Department of Language, Media Studies and Musicology, the Faculty of Arts of the University of Bonn is seeking to fill a

## W2 Professorship for Media Studies: Digital Media

at the earliest possible date.

We are seeking a scholar who represents the field of Media Studies broadly in both research and teaching. The successful candidate will have a strong profile in debates on media theory and in the methodologies of media research.

The professorship focuses on digital media culture in both research and teaching. Candidates are expected to demonstrate a research profile in the history, theory, and analysis of digital media as well as in the methodologies of their study. One of two defined focal areas must be in the field of the media culture and aesthetics of computer games and their media environments (including serious gaming, simulation, and gamification).

Applicants must demonstrate pedagogical aptitude in competently addressing questions concerning the historical development of digital media, their aesthetic forms, and their political implications within the framework of societal change.

Teaching experience, commitment to teaching (also in English), willingness to further develop the Institute's study programs, and participation in academic self-governance are expected. Experience with methods of computer-based media research and the development of corresponding teaching formats is desirable. A proven record in acquiring third-party funding is required. Participation in teaching and research initiatives of the Faculty of Arts as well as in the University of Bonn's collaborative research networks is also desired.

A doctorate in a relevant field and either a habilitation or equivalent academic achievements are required.

The appointment requirements are governed by § 36 of the Higher Education Act of North Rhine-Westphalia (HG NRW).

The University of Bonn is committed to diversity and equal opportunity. It is certified as a family-friendly university. It aims to increase the proportion of women in areas where women



are under-represented and to promote their careers in particular. It therefore strongly encourages women with relevant qualifications to apply. Applications will be handled in accordance with the Landesgleichstellungsgesetz (State Equality Act). Applications from suitable individuals with a certified serious disability and those of equal status are particularly welcome.

Please apply via our online portal to the Dean of the Faculty of Arts: <a href="https://berufungsportal.uni-bonn.de">https://berufungsportal.uni-bonn.de</a>

Application deadline: 14th December 2025