

Saarland University is a campus university with an international focus and a strong research profile. Its four core research areas 'Computer Science', 'BioMed', 'Sustainability' and 'Europe' are defining features of the university. With numerous internationally respected research institutes situated in the vicinity of the university and dedicated support for start-up companies, Saarland University is an ideal environment for research, teaching and innovation. The proportion of international students studying at Saarland University is well above the national average and is testimony to the university's strong international focus. Saarland University has been officially certified as a family-friendly university since 2004.

The Department of Ancient Studies at Saarland University comprises the research areas pre- and protohistory, classical archaeology, ancient history and classical philology. These four fields use different but complementary methodological approaches to examine the origins of Europe from the Paleolithic to the Middle Ages.

The Faculty of Humanities at Saarland University is inviting applications for the following position in the Department of Ancient Studies to commence on 1 October 2026:

W2 Professorship in Ancient History

(m/f/x; reference number W2720)

The person appointed will be assigned the status of a civil servant with unlimited tenure (*Beamtenverhältnis auf Lebenszeit*).

The Faculty of Humanities at Saarland University is seeking a scholar who demonstrated international visibility. The successful candidate will be expected to represent the full breadth of ancient history, encompassing Greek and Roman history as well as Late Antiquity, especially in teaching. Special consideration will be given to expertise that contributes to European and cultural studies. Applicants must have prior experience in the use of digital methods within the field. The person appointed will be expected to actively collaborate with colleagues in the Department of Ancient Studies and across the faculty, including the development of interdisciplinary research initiatives. The successful candidate will also play an active role in applying for funding for collaborative research projects. This professorship in ancient history is ideally placed to strengthen the European profile of Saarland University through active involvement in the Cluster for European Research (CEUS) and through collaboration within existing international cooperative networks, e.g. with partners in the European University Alliance Transform4Europe (www.transform4europe.eu) or the University of the Greater Region (www.uni-gr.eu). Ancient History is an integral component within the B.A., M.A., and teacher training programmes in the Department of Ancient Studies and the Department of History, as well as the B.A. and M.A. programmes 'Cultural Studies in Historical Perspective' and the newly established B.A. subsidiary subject 'Digital Humanities'. The person appointed will be expected not only to continue contributing to these degree programmes but also to play an active role in embedding digital methodologies within the teaching of ancient studies.

Candidates must have a proven track record in acquiring external research funding.

Saarland University views internationalization as a process spanning all aspects of university life. We therefore expect members of our professorial staff to promote and foster further internationalization. Special support will be provided for projects that expand collaboration within existing international cooperative networks, e.g. projects with partners in the European University Alliance Transform4Europe (www.transform4europe.eu) or the University of the Greater Region (www.uni-gr.eu).

In accordance with the objectives of its gender equality plan, Saarland University is actively seeking to increase the proportion of women in this field. Qualified women candidates are therefore strongly encouraged to apply. Preferential consideration will be given to applications from disabled candidates of equal eligibility. Furthermore, we welcome applications from all qualified candidates irrespective of nationality, ethnic heritage or social background, religious beliefs, personal beliefs or values, age, sexual orientation or identity.

The appointment will be made in accordance with the general provisions of German public sector employment law (see legal recruitment requirements in § 41 Saarländisches Hochschulgesetz, current version available at <https://recht.saarland.de/bssl/document/jlr-HSchulGSLrahmen>).

Please complete the application form in Saarland University's online application portal at **www.uni-saarland.de/berufungen** and submit it with your application documents by no later than **12 December 2025**.

Application documents must be uploaded as a single PDF file (max. size 10 MB) and should include the following documents in the order specified:

- Letter of application and CV (including telephone number and email address)
- Complete list of all academic publications
- Complete list of all external funding secured (indicate amounts awarded to you in joint applications)
- Presentation of your proposed future research (2–5 pages)
- Statement outlining your teaching concept (1–2 pages)
- Copies of your academic qualifications and your higher education entrance qualification
- Complete copies of your five most important publications
- Proof of disability if you declared a disability in your application
- If you hold a university degree from a foreign university, please provide proof of equivalence from Germany's Central Office for Foreign Education (ZAB) if available. If you have not yet requested proof of equivalence from ZAB, you must submit proof at a later date if so requested.

When you submit a job application to Saarland University, you will be transmitting personal data. Please refer to our privacy notice for information on how we collect and process personal data in accordance with Art. 13 of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (www.uni-saarland.de/en/privacy). By submitting your application, you confirm that you have taken note of the information in the Saarland University privacy notice.