Professor (W2 with Tenure Track to W3) for Speech Science

(v/Ex Reference n° W2288)

A senior tenure-track position, starting April 2023, with the possibility of promotion to a permanent position (W3).

We are looking for a highly motivated researcher in the field of phonetics, speech science, and speech technology, with extensive knowledge of speech production, perception and acoustics. The successful candidate is expected to have expertise in experimental and computational approaches to research on spoken language. A focus on spoken dialog and conversational speech and/or multidimensional aspects of communication is particularly welcome.

The Department of Language Science and Technology is internationally recognized for its collaborative and interdisciplinary research, and the successful candidate is expected to contribute to the research program of the Institute for Human Language and Interaction (ILSI) in the area of phonetics and speech science and speech technology. Further elements of our research program are the M.Sc. and B.Sc. study programs, and the successful candidate is expected to teach in the associated courses within these programs.

What we offer:

Tenure-track positions (W2) have faculty status at Saarland University, including the right to supervise Bachelor's, Master's and PhD students. The successful candidate will focus on carrying out world-class research, will lead their own research group, and will undertake teaching and supervision responsibilities. The successful candidate (W2) with outstanding performance will receive tenure as a full professor (W3) provided positive review evaluations. Promotion to the level of full professor requires a further 6 years of work after taking up the tenure-track position. The position offers excellent working conditions in a lively and international scientific community. Saarland University is one of the leading centers for language science and computational linguistics in Europe, and offers a dynamic and stimulating research environment. The Department of Language Science and Technology enjoys about 160 research staff in nine research groups in the fields of computational linguistics, psycholinguistics, phonetics and speech science, speech processing, and corpus linguistics. (www.uni-saarland.de/department-slt). The department serves as the focal point of the Collaborative Research Center (CRC) 162 "Information Dynamics and Linguistic Binding" (www.uni-saarland.de/crc162) and is part of the Saarland Informatics Campus (https://saarland-informatics-campus.de), which brings together 660 researchers and 2680 students from 31 countries and collaborates closely with world-class research institutions on campus, such as the Max Planck Institute for Informatics, the Max Planck Institute for Software Systems, and the German Research Centre for Artificial Intelligence (DFKI).

Qualifications:

The appointment will be made in accordance with the general provisions of German public sector employment law. Applicants will need a PhD or doctorate in an appropriate subject and will have demonstrated a proven track record of independent academic research (e.g., as a junior or senior assistant professor, or by having completed an advanced post-doctoral research degree [Habilitation] or equivalent academic activity at a university or research institute). They will typically have completed a period of postdoctoral research and have teaching experience at the university level. They must have demonstrated outstanding research capabilities and have the potential to successfully head their own research group.

The successful candidate will be expected to actively contribute to departmental research and teaching, including introductory lectures in phonetics and phonology, speech science, as well as advanced lectures. The working language is English (in M.Sc. programs) and German (in the B.Sc. programs). We expect that the successful candidate has, or is willing to acquire within an appropriate period, sufficient proficiency to teach in both languages.

Your application:

Applications should be submitted online at www.uni-saarland.de. You will need to fill in additional information online (including phone number and e-mail address).

- a curriculum vitae
- a full list of publications
- a full list of third-party funding (current and own research)
- a list of your research projects (5 pages)
- a teaching statement (1 page)
- copies of your degree certificates
- a letter of recommendation from one of your referees
- two letters of reference from pedagogical assistants, at least one of whom must be a professional or from your previous work experiences

Applications are to be submitted no later than 12 October 2023.

Please include the job reference number W2288 when you apply. Selected candidates will be interviewed.

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