

The University of Innsbruck invites applications for the position of

**University Professor  
of  
PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY**

at the Department of Geography at the Faculty of Geo- and Atmospheric Sciences.

It is a position in accordance with § 98 of the Austrian Universities' Act (Universitätsgesetz - UG) and will be based on a civil-law employment contract with the University on the basis of the Salaried Employees Act (Angestelltengesetz). The contract will be concluded for an unlimited period; the extent of employment is 100%.

**Responsibilities include**

The chair-holder is to represent the field of "Physical Geography" both in research and teaching.

The research focus should be on geomorphic dynamics applying innovative system- and data-based theories and methods for geodata acquisition, analyses, and modelling in mountain areas. Therefore, the candidate should have expertise in two or more of the following: monitoring, analysis (including remote sensing techniques); and (numerical) modelling of processes; each of these fields should consider multi- and trans-scalar approaches; as well as in potential future process changes due to climate change and human activities; or the development and integration of new methods of data acquisition and analysis. The profile of the Department of Geography in Physical Geography is to be complemented and strengthened by means of an inter- and transdisciplinary research approach.

The person to be appointed is expected to become actively involved in the university's research area 'Mountain Regions' and the research center 'Global Change – Regional Sustainability' as well as the relevant Innsbruck doctoral colleges. Collaboration in further research areas or research centers of the university will be welcomed. Commitment to inter-university sustainability initiatives (e.g. for the university networks 'Aurora' and/or 'UniNETZ') is of great importance.

In teaching, participation is expected in the modules of the Bachelor's and Master's programs in Geography as well as Geography and Economics (teaching profession) and the PhD-program in Geography, including the supervision of corresponding theses.

An integral part of this professorship is dedicated collegial participation in academic administration and self-governance.

**Employment Requirements include**

- a) a PhD degree in Austria or the equivalent abroad, pertinent to the position in Physical Geography, preferably geomorphology;
- b) proven experience of quantitative geomorphic research in mountain areas;
- c) proven record in applying innovative and multi-/trans-scalar range of methods for geodata acquisition and analysis (incl. remote sensing techniques) or for modelling of geomorphic dynamic processes;
- d) strong publication record in leading international peer-reviewed journals;
- e) participation in international research consortia;
- f) relevant international working experience;
- g) experience in acquiring and managing external research funds;
- h) subject-related habilitation or comparable qualification;
- i) strong teaching skills and high commitment to teaching;
- j) the ability to teach courses in German and English, or, if necessary, the willingness to learn the German language for use in the university environment.

- k) management skills;
- l) strong interpersonal skills, teamwork skills, and collegiality.

Your application must have arrived by

**15.08.2023**

at Universität Innsbruck Fakultäten Servicestelle Standort Innrain 52f, A-6020 Innsbruck  
([fss-innrain52f@uibk.ac.at](mailto:fss-innrain52f@uibk.ac.at)).

The University of Innsbruck is committed to increasing the percentage of female employees especially in leading positions and therefore explicitly invites women to apply. In the case of equivalent qualifications, women will be given preference.

In line with the Collective Bargaining Agreement professors are in remuneration group A 1, i.e., for a full-term professorship the basic salary is 5,826.50 Euro (14 times). Depending on qualification and experience a higher salary and facilities may be negotiated with the Rector. The university also offers attractive additional benefits (<http://www.uibk.ac.at/universitaet/zusatzleistungen/>).

The application should include: a curriculum vitae with a description of the scholarly and professional career; a list of scientific publications (peer-reviewed), and other academic work and projects, including projects funded by third parties (with details of funding bodies, funding amounts and terms); a list of international research experiences (with indication of the period and activity); the five most important publications; list of past lectures and modules taught; short outline of research and teaching plans (not more than 3 pages). All documents have to be submitted in digital form (as one pdf-file).

The full, authoritative text in German (published in the official bulletin of the University of **21.06.2023**) can be found at <https://www.uibk.ac.at/karriere/index.html.en>.

Up-to-date information on the state of the opening can be found at  
<https://www.uibk.ac.at/fakultaeten-servicestelle/standorte/innrain52f/berufungen/>

Univ.-Prof.<sup>in</sup> Dr.<sup>in</sup> Veronika Sexl  
Rector