

The University of Innsbruck invites applications for the position of a

**University Professor
of
Modern History**

at the Department of History and Empirical Cultural Analysis at the Faculty of Philosophy and History.

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 is permanent, with full-time employment (100%).

Responsibilities

The chair-holder represents the subject of "Modern History" both in research and teaching. Research concentrates on European history in the early modern period (c. 1500-1800). The geographical focus needs to lie on Central and Western Europe and to include the global dimension. In thematic terms, an emphasis on interregional entanglements is expected.

The chair-holder is expected to collaborate closely with other disciplines working on the early modern era within the cross-faculty Research Area "Cultural Encounters – Cultural Conflicts" and to participate in the further development of the cross-faculty Research Centre "Concepts of Europe". Additional cooperation with the University of Innsbruck (e.g., Research Platform "Center Interdisciplinary Gender Studies Innsbruck", CGI; Research Centre "Digital Humanities") is possible and desired.

In teaching, the future professor needs to cover the subject area of "Modern History" in its entire breadth and with a focus on "Early Modern History" in the relevant courses of the Faculty of Philosophy and History. Additionally, contributions to new teaching and learning formats, especially in the fields of Digital History, Public History and Gender History, are desired.

Personal involvement in academic administration and self-governance as well as in the department's and faculty's working groups will form another essential duty.

Employment requirements include

- a) degree in higher education in Austria or the equivalent abroad, pertinent to the position;
- b) relevant habilitation or an equivalent qualification;
- c) publications with renowned publishers and contributions to international peer-reviewed academic journals;
- d) proven competence in methodology, including digital tools;
- e) evidence of involvement in international research;
- f) international experience relevant to the field;
- g) experience in the acquisition and management of competitive third-party funding;
- h) proven teaching skills and experience with various teaching formats;
- i) social competence and management skills;

- j) German language skills – if not first language, proficiency level C1; English language skills for teaching and research (proficiency level B2).

Your application must have arrived by

03.10.2025

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

The University of Innsbruck is committed to increasing the proportion of women in academic positions, particularly in leadership roles, and explicitly encourages qualified women to apply. Where qualifications are equal, preference will be given to female candidates.

In accordance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement, professors are classified under remuneration group A1. The base salary for a full-time professorship is €6,604.30, paid 14 times per year. 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/>).

Application documents must include:

- CV detailing academic and professional background;
- a list of academic publications, lectures, and other scholarly work and projects, including third-party funded projects by indicating the own contribution, the type of funding acquisition (competitive/non-competitive), and the role in the application process;
- description of completed, ongoing and planned research;
- teaching and supervision concept with account of previous and planned foci in academic teaching (max. 2 pages);
- the five most relevant publications (full text).

Please submit all documents digitally, preferably as PDF attachments by email.

The full, authoritative text in German (published in the official bulletin of the University of **06.08.2025**) and up-to-date information on the state of the opening can be found at <https://www.uibk.ac.at/de/fakultaeten-servicestelle/standorte/innrain52f/berufungen/>

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