The Ruhr-Universität Bochum is one of Germany’s leading research universities, addressing the whole range of academic disciplines. A highly dynamic setting enables researchers and students to work across the traditional boundaries of academic subjects and faculties. To create knowledge networks within and beyond the university is Ruhr-Universität Bochum’s declared aim.

The Faculty of History of the Ruhr-Universität Bochum invites applications for a

temporary Professorship (m/f/div) for Late Medieval History (5 years, W3 on the German Salary Scale)

in the Institute of History, to start 1 September 2023. Afterwards, there may be the possibility of employment as a temporary civil servant (Ademische*r Oberraetin/Oberrat auf Zeit).

The successful candidate will be expected to cover the field of Late Medieval History in its entirety in both research and teaching on an international level. We are looking for a scholar who stands out through research foci which are both clearly defined and received on an international level and which also do justice to the wide variety of phenomena which characterise the Late Middle Ages in Europe. In particular, their research interests should fit in with the subject areas pursued in the planned Research Training Group “Knowing – Believing – Claiming. Producing and enforcing Truth in the Pre-Modern Era” and be conducive to carrying these further forward.

The successful candidate will engage in interdisciplinary and international academic work, participate actively in collaborative research projects and will cooperate with to develop new perspectives and projects for larger research networks as well as acquire the necessary third-party funding. This includes active cooperation with and furthering of the planned Research Training Group, the application for which is in the process of being prepared.

A high level of commitment to the faculty’s degree programmes is expected, as is national and international visibility of research and willingness to participate in academic self-administration.

Requirements include a university degree in History, proof of special aptitude for teaching and research (generally an excellent PhD in a historical subject), a habilitation or equivalent academic achievement and international academic publications in the field covered by the professorship, as well as the willingness and proven ability to acquire third party funding. The candidate has to meet the appointment requirements according to section 36 ff. Hochschulgesetz NW.

The Ruhr-Universität Bochum stands for diversity and equal opportunities. For this reason, we favour a working environment composed of heterogeneous teams, and seek to promote the careers of individuals who are underrepresented in our respective professional areas. The Ruhr-Universität Bochum expressly requests job applications from women. In areas in which they are underrepresented they will be given preference in the case of equivalent qualifications with male candidates. Applications from individuals with disabilities are most welcome.

Applications should include a cover letter, information on the applicant’s academic career to date, lists of publications, classes taught and third party funding, academic certificates and the application form which can be downloaded at http://www.gw.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/aktuelles/stellen.html.de. These materials should be sent by email (one pdf only) to the Dean of the Faculty of History of the Ruhr-Universität Bochum, email: dekan-gw@rub.de, no later than 22 February 2023.