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 Martin Opitz Library is a publicly accessible special library dedicated to German history and culture in the East of Europe, covering all regions in which Germans lived and/or still live today. It is the largest special library for this subject area in Germany. It is funded jointly by the Commissioner of the Federal Government for Culture and Media and the city of Herne. The federal state of North-Rhine Westphalia is a co-founder and will become a co-funder as well, pending the approval of a new financial agreement.

The Faculty of History of the Ruhr-Universität Bochum and the Foundation Martin Opitz Library invite applications for a

**Professorship (m/f/div; W3 on the German Salary Scale) for German history and culture in Eastern Europe**

as head of the library and member of the faculty’s History Institute.

The appointment is likely to follow the so-called Jülich Model, ie the future post holder will be employed by the university, but will be given a permanent leave of absence to take up their post at the library. They will be expected to teach 2 SWS (ie 90 minutes) per week during term time. Applicants have to meet the appointment requirements according to section 36 ff. of the Hochschulgesetz NRW.

The future post holder should be able to cover the entire field of the history of Germans and other minorities in Eastern Europe, employing a multidisciplinary approach both in research and teaching. A comparative outlook as well as one which considers the different time periods of history is also essential. The successful applicant will serve as head of the MOB, furthering its role as an associated Institute for German history and culture in Eastern Europe within the framework of the Ruhr-Universität Bochum.

Applicants are expected to have a qualifications covering more than one epoch in the field of German history and culture, as well as the history and culture of national / ethnic / linguistic minorities in Eastern Europe. Experience in teaching, in acquiring third party funding for research and on an international level is expected. Fluency in German is a requirement, as well as a good knowledge of at least one Eastern European language. Experience in leadership and in the field of Digital Humanities are considered an advantage.

We believe in diversity. Applications are welcome from anyone irrespective of their cultural or social background, age, religion, sexual orientation or their handicapped or equal status.
Applications including a cover letter, information on the applicant’s academic career to date, lists of publications, classes taught and third party funding, academic certificates, and our application form which can be downloaded at http://www.gw.ruhr-uni-bochum.de/aktuelles/stellen.html.de should be submitted 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 31 August 2022.