Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz (JGU) is one of the largest universities in Germany. Thanks to its location in the Rhine-Main science region, the university can unfold to its full potential and showcase its innovative power and dynamism. Its status as a comprehensive university allows for multidisciplinary learning and teaching and has great potential for internationally renowned, interdisciplinary research. Almost all of its institutes are located on a single campus close to the Mainz city center – creating a lively academic culture for researchers, teaching staff, and students from every continent.

Faculty 05 – Gutenberg Institute for World Literature and Written Media/Book Studies of Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz

Academic staff member
part-time (65%)

This position is to be filled as part of the German Research Foundation’s project DFG-SFB 1472 “Transformationen des Populären” [“Transformations of the Popular”, University of Siegen] and situated within the subproject “Wissenschaft im bundesrepublikanischen Taschenbuch 1955-1980” [“Science in the paperback of the German Federal Republic 1955-1980”]. The interdisciplinary subproject (book studies, cultural studies) will be executed in close communication at two locations (Mainz, Siegen). The department of Book Studies within the Gutenberg Institute for World Literature and Written Media at the JGU Mainz is a cooperation partner of the CRC (Collaborative Research Center). Place of work is Mainz. A willingness to take part in events at the CRC’s location (Siegen) is expected. More information on the CRC and its subprojects can be found here: https://popkultur.uni-siegen.de/sfb1472/.

Your tasks:
- Participation in the CRC subproject “Wissenschaft im bundesrepublikanischen Taschenbuch 1955-1980”
- Preparation of the project’s monograph, assistance with publications in relevant journals and for scientific presentations
- Participation in the realization of the interdisciplinary CRC with its different forms of cooperation
- Your own scientific (further) qualification (doctorate)
- Responsibility for the task group “Wissenschaftler und/als Verlagsakteure” [“Scientists and/as Publishers”] [research in the archives of the following publishers: S. Fischer, Oldenbourg, Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht, Francke; with a focus on publishers’ archive documents that include internal correspondences, correspondences with authors and editors as well as conceptual drafts]

Your profile:
In addition to the general requirements according to public services law, applicants must meet the recruitment requirements stipulated in § 57 of the Hochschulgesetz of Rhineland-Palatinate.
- A university degree completed with above-average success in humanities or social science
- Experience with archival work, especially in the fields of publishers’ history as well as the analysis of publishers’ strategies and publishing processes
- Preferably knowledge of the book market and education history of the German Federal Republic
- Willingness for in-depth analysis of interdisciplinary book series
- Good knowledge of the English language

What we have to offer:
- Support of your own scientific or artistic qualification according to the Wissenschaftszeitvertragsgesetz
- Responsibility for a field of activity with a large transformative potential
- Jobticket, optional for the entire Rhine-Main area
- Extensive human resources development offer
- Flexible working time arrangements

The position is paid according to EG 13 TV-L and to be filled as soon as possible. The position is, subject to financing approval, temporary for a fixed term until 31.12.2024.

The position serves the purpose of academic qualification (doctorate).

JGU is diverse and welcomes qualified applications from people with varied backgrounds.

We aim to increase the number of women in the field of research and teaching and therefore encourage female researchers to apply.

Candidates with severe disabilities and appropriate qualifications will be given priority.

Please send your complete application as one pdf file (stating the Identification No. 21420-05-wiss-ml) by 31.01.2021 at the latest to:
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For questions and further information please contact Prof. Dr. Ute Schneider by phone 06131/39-23468.

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