

# Communication with a Focus on Media Entertainment Research

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At the Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Vienna the position of a

**University Professor  
of  
Communication with a Focus on Media Entertainment Research**

(full time, permanent position) is to be filled.

The focus of the professorship lies on media entertainment research. The successful candidate is expected to represent expertise in the content, the experience and/or impacts of entertaining media in teaching and research (including but not limited to entertainment television, computer and digital games, digital entertainment cultures, or entertainment in virtual realities). The position is open to the full range of epistemological approaches within the area of media entertainment research.

**Successful candidates should have the following qualifications:**

- Doctoral degree/PhD and post-doctoral experience at a university or other research institution
- Habilitation (venia docendi) in a subject field relevant to this position or an internationally accepted equivalent qualification is desirable
- Outstanding achievements in research, excellent publication record, international reputation
- Experience in designing, procuring and managing large research projects, as well as the willingness and ability to lead research groups

- Enthusiasm for excellent teaching, teaching experience at universities as well as the ability and willingness to teach students in all phases of their studies (bachelor's, master's, or doctoral level), to supervise academic theses and to promoting young academic colleagues

The University of Vienna expects the successful candidate to acquire, within three years, proficiency in German sufficient for teaching in bachelor's programmes and for participation in university committees. In addition, the University of Vienna expects the successful candidate to be prepared to take over responsibility on the organisational level of the Faculty and the University, if necessary.

**We offer:**

- a negotiable and attractive salary (classification according to the [Collective Bargaining Agreement for University Staff](#), allocation to job group A1; section 98 of the Universities Act 2002); the salary will be individually negotiated under consideration of the previous career development and the current income situation
- in addition to the statutory social insurance, the University of Vienna offers a pension fund to its employees
- a “start-up package”, in particular for the initiation of research projects
- a dynamic research location with well-established research funding provisions
- attractive working conditions in a city with a high quality of life
- comprehensive advice and support in relation to finding an accommodation, change of schools and dual career
- a wide range of support services offered by central service institutions

The University of Vienna pursues a non-discriminatory employment policy and values equal opportunities, as well as diversity (<http://diversity.univie.ac.at>). The University puts special emphasis on increasing the number of women in senior and in academic positions. Given equal qualifications, preference will be given to female applicants.

**Application documents:**

- **Application letter**, including a brief description of:
  - current research interests and research plans for the immediate future
  - current and planned foci in academic teaching and the supervision of young researchers

- **Academic curriculum vitae,**  
including information about “esteem factors” (e.g. experience as a publisher, functions in research societies or programme committees)
- **List of publications,** including:
  - specification of five key publications which the applicant considers particularly relevant to the advertised professorship
  - provision of an Internet link for download or electronic submission of PDF versions of these five publications
  - information about citations and impact factors, depending on the common practice in the relevant research area
- **List of talks given,**  
including information about invited keynote lectures at international conferences
- **Third-party funds**  
list of acquired third-party funds (subject, duration, origin, volume) as well as, if applicable, of inventions/patents
- **Overview of previous academic teaching and supervised theses, especially doctoral theses**
- **Teaching evaluations** (if available)
- **Copies of documents and certificates**

Applications in English should be submitted by e-mail to the Dean of Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Vienna, Univ.-Prof. Dr. Hajo Boomgaarden, Rooseveltplatz 2, A-1090 Vienna ([dekanat.sowi@univie.ac.at](mailto:dekanat.sowi@univie.ac.at)).

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The application deadline is **15 April 2020**.

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