

Trier University conducts socially relevant research and teaching at the forefront of contemporary developments, with a strong focus on digitalisation, interdisciplinarity and diversity. At the heart of its activities lies the individual and their relationship with society, law, business and the environment. With more than 10,000 students and around 2,000 members of staff, Trier University is one of the largest employers in the European border region surrounding Trier. Short distances across a green campus, a vibrant academic community and an open and supportive working culture provide numerous opportunities to make a meaningful impact.

Within **Faculty IV**, in the department of **Business Administration**, the chair of **Corporate Finance and Capital Markets (Professor Axel Adam-Müller)** invites applications for the following position, to be filled as soon as possible:

Research Associate (PhD position) (m/f/d)

(Salary Scale E 13 TV-L, full-time (100%). The position is initially fixed-term for three years and is intended to support doctoral studies (PhD) in accordance with the German Academic Fixed-Term Contract Act (WissZeitVG). Subject to the provisions of WissZeitVG, the appointment may be extended for up to a further three years.)

Your responsibilities

- Research in Corporate Finance
 - Conducting independent research, for example in the areas of Sustainable Finance, Corporate Risk Management or Private Credit
 - Preparing academic publications and research reports
 - Presenting research findings at conferences and workshops
- Teaching in Corporate Finance
 - Assisting with the design and delivery of teaching activities in undergraduate and postgraduate programmes
 - Supervising and supporting students with undergraduate and postgraduate thesis projects
- Administrative Duties
 - Supporting the administrative activities of the chair

What We Expect

- Master's degree (or equivalent) completed with excellent results in one of the following fields:
 - Business Administration or Economics
 - Mathematics, Financial Mathematics or Statistics or
 - a related discipline with a strong business or economics focus
- Strong interest in research and teaching in the field of corporate finance
- Initial experience in quantitative research methods
- Excellent written and spoken English
- The ability to work independently, together with a high level of commitment, flexibility, teamwork, communication and organisational skills
- Eligibility for appointment in accordance with Section 57 (2) and (3) of the Rhineland-Palatinate Higher Education Act (HochSchG)

What We Offer

We offer a varied and responsible role in an applied academic environment on a green and international campus with excellent regional transport connections, together with:

- Flexible working arrangements
- A comprehensive programme of professional development opportunities
- An international university environment
- Family-friendly policies, including holiday childcare provision
- Access to a large university library
- Discounts on university sports facilities and campus catering services
- Annual special payment in accordance with the collective agreement
- Corporate benefits and employee discount schemes

The position is suitable for part-time working arrangements. Trier University is committed to increasing the number of female employees and strongly encourages women to apply. Severely disabled persons and persons treated as such under Section 2 (3) of SGB IX will be given preferential consideration where qualifications and suitability are otherwise equal (please provide appropriate documentation).

Please do not submit application documents in folders or presentation covers and submit only uncertified copies. Application materials will not be returned and will instead be destroyed in accordance with data protection regulations. Further information regarding the processing of personal data can be found in the University's privacy notice for recruitment procedures pursuant to Article 13 GDPR on our website.

How to Apply

Applications should be sent by email as a single PDF document and should include the usual documents (cover letter, curriculum vitae, academic transcripts and certificates, etc.). Please send your application to **finance@uni-trier.de** no later than **31 August 2026**.

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