

The University of Koblenz is the youngest university in Germany – while also preserving a long-standing academic tradition. A multitude of transdisciplinary research projects spanning several institutions concentrated on a compact campus favourably affects our university routine. As the interdisciplinary university in the north of Rhineland-Palatinate with more than 9,400 students, we live the knowledge – transformation – innovation triad in our four profile areas "Education", "Computer Science", "Culture and its Mediation" as well as "Material and Environment". We provide and conduct state-of-the-art teacher-training studies for all school types and maintain the transfer of our research results to civic society and regional businesses in a resilient and sustainable way. Join an aspiring university community and aid in advancing our further growth!



We are looking for the following person to join the Institute for Integrated Natural Sciences, Department of Geography, Environmental Geochemistry working group as soon as possible

Research associate with doctorate opportunity (m/f/d)

This position is embedded in the newly founded "Environmental Geochemistry" group headed by Prof. Dr. Karolina Nowak. This professorship was established with financial support from the Federal Institute of Hydrology and the Federal Ministry of Transport (BMV).

The position is 100% full-time (currently 39 hours) and is limited to three years. The fixed-term employment is based on the regulations of the Act on Fixed-Term Employment Contracts in Science (WissZeitVG). The teaching obligation is 4 SWS. The state of Rhineland-Palatinate and the University of Koblenz advocate a concept of intensive supervision of students and therefore expect a high level of teacher presence at the university. Further academic qualification (doctorate) is part of the job and is strongly supported.

Your responsibilities:

The responsibilities of a research assistant include academic services in research and teaching:

- Teaching courses in the degree programs offered by the Department of Geography (Biogeosciences and Teacher Training).
- Further academic qualification (Doctorate, on a topic related to the research field of the professorship)
- Presentation of research results at scientific conferences and in scientific journals

Your qualifications:

- A successfully completed university degree in environmental geochemistry, geoecology or a related subject (except with a Bachelor's degree)
- Good language skills in German and English
- Motivation, ability to work in a team, communicative and organizational skills

What we offer:

- Integration into a research-active, well-networked environment with good infrastructure.
- A stimulating and varied range of responsibilities within a collegial team that values open communication
- Remuneration according to pay group 13 TV-L.
- Usual social benefits in the general public sector according to TV-L (annual special payment, pension scheme (VBL)).
- Compatibility of family and work, flexible working hours
- Varied sports program with health-promoting offers.
- Extensive opportunities for further education and training.

The University of Koblenz welcomes applications from all age groups, regardless of gender identity, disability, ethnic or cultural background, religion, ideology or sexual orientation. We aim to increase the proportion of women and are therefore particularly interested in applications from women. In the event of underrepresentation, women with equivalent aptitude and qualifications will be given preferential consideration. Severely handicapped persons will be given preferential consideration if their professional and personal qualifications are otherwise equal.

For further information, please contact Prof. Dr. Karolina Nowak (Mail: knowak@uni-koblenz.de).

Please, send your informative documents by 07.09.2025, quoting the reference number 089/2025, exclusively by e-mail in one PDF file to: bewerbung@uni-koblenz.de.

Please, refrain from sending in application photos. At the end of the procedure, the application documents will be destroyed in compliance with data protection regulations.

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