

The following position at the Academy of Fine Arts Vienna is advertised:

University Professorship

in accordance with § 99 Austrian University Act 2002 (Universitätsgesetz 2002) for „Indigenous Studies” at the Institute for Art Theory and Cultural Studies (IKW) of the Academy of Fine Arts Vienna. This full-time employment starts 1 October 2026 and is limited until 31 January 2027.

The Institute for Art Theory and Cultural Studies offers an impulse professorship in the field of Indigenous Studies focusing on current theory formation with regard to research methodology, art and cultural production. The impulse professorship is intended to provide space for current topics, contemporary research approaches, experimental methods and their communication, complementing the existing curriculum and aiming at the entire Academy in the further development of research and discourse across the institutes.

The advertised position addresses outstanding, internationally renowned candidates from the humanities and social sciences and/or the arts, educational and cultural studies with expertise in Indigenous Studies and theories and their interconnections with artistic research and cultural and/or artistic practices.

Responsibilities include teaching and research.

Conditions of employment

- an Austrian or international university degree appropriate to the position, a relevant doctorate and habilitation (or achievements equivalent to habilitation)
- outstanding academic qualification for the subject to be filled (according to the profile description above)
- a distinguished research profile (relevant international publications, conference contributions, etc.)
- pedagogical and didactical competences as well as several years of teaching experience, preferably in higher education
- competence in the discursive development and reflection of “Indigenous Studies” with regard to art and cultural production within the framework of the Academy's research and teaching activities
- very good knowledge of German and/or English
- general anti-discriminatory understanding and the willingness to further improve these skills

Desired qualifications

- relevant international networks as well as non-academic practice
- knowledge of current (pop) cultural and/or artistic forms of practice and their discourses

Teaching responsibilities include a series of 3 workshops held at the Academy.

The monthly gross salary according to the collective agreement for university employees in salary group A1 is currently Euro 6.713,30.

The application must comprise a letter of motivation as well as a CV including research projects and list of publications.

Interested candidates please apply by 20 January 2026 at: www.akbild.ac.at/jobs

A...kademie der bildenden Künste Wien

The Academy of Fine Arts Vienna is committed to a learning, teaching, research and working environment of equal opportunities and works towards the elimination of discrimination and structural barriers. The Academy therefore explicitly endorses applications from qualified persons who are structurally disadvantaged due to their gender, sexual orientation, ethnicity, religion or ideology or their age. Special consideration is required if a person combines several grounds of discrimination (intersectional approach).

The Academy of Fine Arts Vienna strives to increase the representation of women and strongly encourages applications from qualified women. Furthermore, the Academy strives to create application and working conditions that are as accessible as possible. In this context, the Academy actively supports the application of people with disabilities. Applicants may contact the Human Resources Department or the Academy's disability representatives in advance. Applicants are not entitled to compensation for travel and accommodation costs incurred in relation to the admission procedure.