

The **Institute of Performative Practice, Art and Education** at the Braunschweig University of Art (HBK) is currently seeking to fill the following professorship with the starting date 1 October, 2024:

University Professor in Art and Ecologies

Salary Scale W3 NBesG

The successful applicant will be appointed as a civil servant in accordance with German civil service regulations, if applicable, or otherwise as an employee. This is a permanent appointment.

We are looking for an artistic personality with broad visibility and who has positioned themselves clearly in relation to contemporary art and questions of ecologies. Topics and questions intersect with the areas of biology, environmental science and environmental design, the human-animal relationship, economics, politics and landscape, including issues of political borders, migrations, and network theories. Teaching may explore the relationships of these areas to each other, in the form of simultaneities, contingencies, circulations or milieus and networks.

Ecological questions increasingly include relevant developmental themes that affect aspects of individual lives, society and the global sphere. In this context, art has a significant role to play, in that it can increase awareness of ecological issues, and sensibilise people to interdisciplinary and research perspectives. Ecological issues will take on increasing importance in school-level education in the future.

This professorship represents an understanding of art that is closely aligned with the connection between contemporary art and art education. Teaching will focus on artistic practice for students enrolled on the bachelor's degree in Art for the Teaching Profession and on the master's degree in Art Teaching at "Gymnasium" level. The successful candidate will empower students to use the entire spectrum of medial and material processes and to engage in collaborative forms of working.

Research at the Institute of Performative Practice, Art and Education is closely aligned with artistic practice. Accordingly, professors in artistic practice are required to work

closely with professors in art education.

The new professor will

- Support students in developing their own artistic and pedagogic profile
- Expand cross-departmental, interdisciplinary collaborations within the HBK and networks in the region, especially with schools and art institutions
- Participate in designing and further developing conceptual approaches within the art teaching degrees.

Candidates are expected to demonstrate the following experience and qualifications:

- A body of work that demonstrates a significant contribution to art and ecologies through a variety of artistic media and processes
- An awareness of the intersections between art and educational contexts
- Usually at least five years' experience as a freelance artist and active participation in the contemporary artistic discourse
- Relevant, internationally visible exhibitions (solo and group), projects, catalogues, talks, symposia, prizes, etc.
- Proficiency in German to at least C1 level under the European Reference Framework, or willingness to acquire a knowledge of German to this level within two years of appointment.

Candidates who can demonstrate the following qualifications are particularly encouraged to apply:

- Relevant Experience in developing and using digital formats in teaching and learning environments and in developing study programmes, and/or a willingness to develop their ability in this area to the required standard
- Relevant Experience in developing art projects in collaboration with schools

Eligibility for employment is conditional upon:

- A relevant university degree (e.g., in Fine Art, Art for the Teaching Profession)
- Proven teaching ability, demonstrated by several years of teaching art and creating artistic projects in educational contexts
- An especial aptitude for artistic work and additional artistic achievements
- Relevant Experience in planning, acquiring and delivering exhibition projects

The statutory requirements for the position are defined under Section 25 of the Lower Saxony Higher Education Act (*Niedersächsisches Hochschulgesetz*) in its currently valid version.

As a requirement of the position, all candidates are expected to demonstrate social and leadership competencies and to promote equality and diversity, actively playing a part in combating discrimination at the university. In particular, they are expected to participate in academic self-governance and to sit on relevant committees. All candidates must demonstrate excellent communication skills and the ability to work with other departments across the university in order to promote an integrated approach to teaching and learning.

The HBK Braunschweig is committed to increasing the proportion of women in art, research and teaching as one of its strategic goals. We therefore explicitly encourage women to apply. Where candidates have equivalent qualifications, under the relevant regulations preference will be given to female candidates.

Subject to the same provisions, preference will also be given to disabled candidates (please enclose evidence of the relevant disability with your application).

The HBK Braunschweig cultivates a culture of diversity. We therefore particularly welcome applications from candidates who will increase the diversity of our staff and student body and/or are actively working towards a culture of diversity.



The HBK Braunschweig is a member of the Dual Career Network (South-East Lower Saxony) and offers support to candidates and their families in managing dual careers.

This position is suitable for part-time employment.

Please submit your application including a **cover letter, CV, relevant degree certificates and transcripts, list of exhibitions, projects, previous teaching experience and publications, and an outline of your approach to teaching (3 A4 sides maximum) by 17.09.2023** to berufungen@hbk-bs.de. Documents should be submitted **as a single PDF file no larger than 20MB**. Please note that applications submitted in other formats will not be accepted.

Unfortunately we are unable to reimburse any costs in relation to your application.

Personal data provided as part of your application will be processed by HBK Braunschweig on the basis of the following legislation: Section 88, Lower Saxony Civil Servant Act (NBG) (for German civil servants) in conjunction with Section 12, Lower Saxony Data Protection Act in conjunction with Section 88 NBG (for employees who are not civil servants). Should your application be unsuccessful, all documents and data relating to your application and all personal data will be destroyed/deleted six months after the recruitment and selection process is legally completed. Detailed information regarding data protection during the recruitment process can be found [here](#):

Enquiries in relation to the application process should be addressed to Carina Haas berufungen@hbk-bs.de Tel. +49 (0)531/391 9343).