



# UNIVERSITÄT LEIPZIG

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## **2 research assistants (m/f/d)**

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The Department of American Studies at the Faculty of Philology seeks to fill the above two positions from 1 January 2023.

### **About the position**

- Fixed term of three years
- 65 % of a full-time position
- Planned remuneration: salary group 13 TV-L

### **Duties**

- Research in an externally funded project on processes of enfreakment in US popular culture; the project's topic should be approached across history and across genres, with one research assistant focusing on regionalist fiction and the other on superhero fiction
- Developing and completing a PhD project in one of these topical areas
- Contributing to the organization of conferences/workshops and to the publication and presentation of the project's findings.

### **Requirements**

- Excellent university degree (MA or equivalent) in American Studies, or in English/Anglophone Studies with a substantial focus on American Studies
- A curriculum and/or coursework with a strong profile in American popular culture studies, minority studies, and/or historical perspectives in the study of American literature and culture would be beneficial
- Excellent proficiency in English
- High level of motivation for scholarly work; organizational skills; dependability; ability to work in a team.

### **What we offer**

- A modern workplace and attractive working conditions
- Flexible working hours and work-life balance
- Goal-oriented staff development throughout your working life, with opportunities for continuing professional development
- Pension plan
- Commuter pass for the MDV network.

If you have any questions, please write to Professor Katja Kanzler ([katja.kanzler@uni-leipzig.de](mailto:katja.kanzler@uni-leipzig.de)).

Please send your application with the usual documents (CV, degree certificates, list of publications (if applicable)) and an example of your writing (academic paper or excerpt from your final thesis, max. 15 pages), quoting **reference number 314/2022**, to: **Leipzig University, Faculty of Philology, Department of American Studies, Professor Katja Kanzler, Beethovenstraße 15, 04107 Leipzig** by 15 November 2022. You are also welcome to email your application as a single PDF file to [katja.kanzler@uni-leipzig.de](mailto:katja.kanzler@uni-leipzig.de). Please note that it is not possible to guarantee confidentiality and rule out unauthorised access by third parties when communicating by unencrypted email.

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them under Book IX of the German Social Code – are encouraged to apply and will be given preference in the case of equal suitability.

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