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MZAW Visiting Professorship in Cultural History of the Ancient World

Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München
Fakultät für Kulturwissenschaften
Münchner Zentrum für Antike Welten (MZAW)

Possible appointment period: 1 October 2026 – 31 July 2027

Application deadline: 15 March 2026

Fee-based honorarium: €20,000 for one semester or €40,000 for two semesters

The Münchner Zentrum für Antike Welten (MZAW) invites applications for a Visiting Professorship in Cultural History of the Ancient World for either one semester or two semesters, starting **on October 1, 2026**.

The Münchner Zentrum für Antike Welten (MZAW) is the interfaculty research network of ancient studies at LMU Munich, advances joint research initiatives, and fosters networking within and beyond Munich's departments, collections, and institutions dedicated to the study of the ancient world. Established in 2011, the MZAW Visiting Professorship has been awarded to a series of renowned scholars from around the world (<https://www.mzaw.uni-muenchen.de/gastprofessur/index.html>), who have enjoyed excellent conditions for both research and scholarly interaction at LMU.

In the academic year 2026/27 the MZAW Visiting Professorship is open for either one semester (winter or summer semester) or two semesters. Applications are invited from outstanding international and domestic scholars specializing in the anthropology, history, art and archaeology, literature and linguistics, philosophy, religion, or law of the ancient world. The Center's regional foci include the ancient Mediterranean (Greece, Rome, and Byzantium), ancient Egypt, the ancient Middle East and Near East, ancient northern Europe, and ancient China.

At MZAW, the successful applicant will:

- pursue an original research program relevant to the study of antiquity, opening up innovative interdisciplinary perspectives,
- propose an annual theme of relevance across the MZAW that fosters collaboration between different areas of study.
- teach one graduate seminar per semester,
- organize one public academic event per semester (lecture, panel discussion or conference).

Requirements include a university degree, an outstanding doctorate, as well as excellent academic achievements and a promising research program. For the duration of the appointment, residence in Munich is expected.

LMU Munich is an equal opportunity employer. The University continues to be very successful in increasing the number of female faculty members and strongly encourages applications from female candidates. LMU Munich intends to enhance the diversity of its faculty.

Applicants with disabilities will be given preference in the case of essentially equal qualifications.

Please include in your application:

- a cover letter stating the preferred term (winter or/and summer semester) and the specific motivation for working with the MZAW, including a proposal for an interdisciplinary annual theme (max. 2 p.),
- a CV including a list of publications (max. 5 p.),
- a description of the proposed research project (max. 5 p.),
- a summary of the project description (max. 350 words),
- two writing samples

Please send a single pdf-file via email no later than **March 15, 2026** to:

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