

Job vacancy

Research Associate - Chair of Clinical Psychology and Psychotherapy 25/B27

University of Greifswald, 19 November 2025 | deadline: 17 December 2025

At the University of Greifswald's Institute of Psychology in the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, there is a position available at the Professorship for Clinical Psychology and Psychotherapy, which is **expected to be available from 1 January 2026** subject to budgetary regulations, for a full-time

(Postdoctoral) Teaching and Research Associate

The position is permanent and is suitable for part-time employment. Payment will be made according to pay group 13 *TV-L Wissenschaft*.

We are seeking an individual with a background in psychology, medicine, clinical neuroscience, mathematics, physics, computer science, data science, or related disciplines, who possesses distinct statistical and methodological expertise. The main responsibilities include active participation in and development of research and teaching activities (see: https://psychologie.uni-greifswald.de/43051/lehrstuehle-ii/klinische-psychologie-und-psychotherapie/ [de]).

The professorship aims to closely integrate research, teaching, and psychotherapeutic practice. All three units share two overarching focal areas: firstly, mechanism-based, personalised psychotherapy research across therapeutic modalities, particularly for patients with depressive disorders; and secondly, psychological support in the context of current crises (see the "Together for Mental Health" [GPG] initiative, Third Mission engagement).

At the interface between the Chair of Clinical Psychology and Psychotherapy and the Center for Psychological Psychotherapy (ZPP), the position holder will primarily support psychotherapy research and teaching in the area dedicated to research methods. The goal is to teach, practise, and investigate scientifically recognised psychotherapeutic methods at both the professorship and the ZPP.

Within the framework of the Greifswald Psychotherapy Navigator System (GPNS) that has been established at the ZPP, we aim to include all evidence-based psychotherapy modalities across the lifespan to enable cross-modality, evidence-based personalisation. Additionally, the GPG initiative supports intercultural psychotherapy projects as well as projects addressing the interplay between the climate crisis and mental health.

The successful candidate should possess comprehensive statistical and methodological expertise (e.g. in network models, EMA, big data analyses, or AI). Programming and IT skills are highly desirable.

In teaching and research, we collaborate closely with the Professorship for Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology and Psychotherapy and the University's Outpatient Clinic for Children and Adolescents (ZPKJ).

Job description:

- Participation in the research activities of the professorship (see
 https://psychologie.uni-greifswald.de/43051/lehrstuehle-ii/klinische-psychologie-und-psychotherapie/)
- Teaching (amounting to 8 LVS à 45 min./week) in the polyvalent B.Sc. Psychology degree course and in the new M.Sc. Psychology degree course with a focus on *Clinical* Psychology and Psychotherapy (specifically in Module B: Research Methods)
- Supervision of bachelor's and master's dissertations
- Providing methodological consultation within the professorship
- Preparation of research grant proposals and publications
- Development of (inter-)national collaborations
- Supervision of doctoral candidates (if desired)

Job requirements:

- Completed university degree (master's or equivalent) in psychology, medicine, clinical neuroscience, mathematics, physics, computer science, data science, or related disciplines
- Completed or nearly completed doctorate in psychology or one of the aforementioned fields
- Expertise, experience, or strong interest in psychotherapy research, particularly in the research areas outlined above
- Excellent and in-depth knowledge as well as demonstrated teaching experience in the methodological domains mentioned
- Commitment to developing an internationally visible research profile, including publications in peer-reviewed journals and acquisition of third-party funding
- · Excellent English language skills
- Strong social competence and ability to work in a team

Further knowledge and skills that will play a decisive role in the selection of suitable candidates are:

- IT skills
- Programming skills, particularly in PHP and Python, as well as proficiency in the statistical programming language R
- Expertise in the further development of psychotherapeutic methods and procedures

We offer:

- A dynamic and supportive working environment within the scientific and therapeutic team of the professorship at the renowned University of Greifswald
- Innovative opportunities for psychotherapy research through the Psychotherapy Lab (particularly the GPNS, including options for process research, video analyses, and big data analyses) within the ZPP research outpatient clinic, as well as engagement in psychological support projects addressing current crises
- Excellent teaching conditions provided by the ZPP, including use of the Psychotherapy Lab
- A focus on the diversity of psychotherapy modalities and the entire lifespan
- Collaboration with renowned university hospitals, psychosomatic clinics, and national and international partners (including a DFG-funded clinical study)
- Support for gaining further qualifications (e.g. habilitation or advanced methodological/IT training)
- Recognition and support of Third Mission activities, especially within the GPG initiative
- A family-friendly university located in a region known as the "Best of Northern Germany", near the Baltic Sea, with major cities such as Berlin and Hamburg within easy reach

Information about the application and selection procedure:

This position is open to all persons, irrespective of gender.

Due to the underrepresentation of women in equivalent positions at the university, applications from women are particularly welcome and will be treated with priority if they have the same qualifications and as long as there are no clear reasons which make a fellow applicant more suitable.

Severely disabled applicants with the same qualifications will be considered with preference. In accordance with § 68(3) PersVG M-V, the Staff Council will only be involved in staff matters of the academic or artistic staff on request.

Please only submit copies of your application documents as they cannot be returned. Unfortunately, application costs (e.g. travel expenses for interviews) will not be reimbursed by the State of Mecklenburg-Vorpommern.

Public employees who have applied for the post are asked to agree to the inspection of their staff records.

Please note that by submitting your application, you provide your consent pursuant to data protection law for our processing of your application data. Further information about the legal bases and the use of your data can be found here.

Applications comprising all usual documents should be sent with reference to the job advertisement number **25/B27** by **17 December 2025**, **preferably via email** (one PDF file), to:

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