As part of the Research Alliance Ruhr, the College for Social Sciences and Humanities is seeking to fill the following position at the Faculty of History, Ruhr University Bochum, as soon as possible:

**Professorship (W3) “Curating Digital Objects of Cultural Knowledge and Memory” (m/f/d)**

Based at the Institute of Art History at the Ruhr University Bochum, this full-time position is aimed at scholars of exceptional caliber who continue to define a distinctive body of work to the field of digital curatorial practices and their epistemic, ethical, political and social implications. The professorship will focus on the question of digital storage and display techniques, in the epistemic status, political significance, and ethical evaluation of objects that form cultural knowledge and memory. A further point of investigation will be the question of how virtual objects are represented and displayed as cultural objects of knowledge and memory in different areas and disciplines. The position will entail a reduced teaching load of four semester hours per week.

**YOUR QUALIFICATIONS**

Applicants should have a broad and internationally visible research profile in the field of knowledge, as well as an innovative theoretical and methodological approach in the field of digital humanities, combined with practical knowledge of designing cultural objects in virtual environments. Since the profile of the professorship is expected to have strong links to current debates on the politics of memory and postcolonialism, transdisciplinary and transcultural research skills are also required. As member of the College the professor will be expected to engage in the activities of the College for Social Sciences and Humanities and to participate in interdisciplinary research projects of the University Alliance Ruhr. Applicants are expected to have a proven record of publications in internationally renowned journals, experience in applying for competitive third-party funding from national and/or international research funding institutions, and relevant teaching experience. They should demonstrate a record of successful funding for cooperative research projects (museums, archives, collections, etc.). In addition, the recruitment criteria of Sections 36 and 37 of the North Rhine-Westphalia Higher Education Act (Gesetz über die Hochschulen des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen, HG NRW) apply.

**ATTRACTIVE ENVIRONMENT**

The College for Social Sciences and Humanities will provide a forum for the humanities and social sciences, inviting international researchers to strengthen the existing research focus of the University Alliance Ruhr through collaborations and the addition of new topics. The Institute for Advanced Study in the Humanities (KWI) Essen, one of the oldest joint institutions of the UA Ruhr, acts as an organizational basis for research activities, and teaching load of four semester hours per week.

**RESEARCH ALLIANCE RUHR**

The Research Alliance Ruhr is a joint undertaking of the three major universities in the Ruhr area and was initiated by the Ruhr University Bochum, the University of Duisburg-Essen and the TU Dortmund University. The Research Alliance Ruhr, a community of 14,000 researchers and 120,000 students in the heart of Germany, offers attractive career opportunities for excellent scientists and scholars from around the world. In 2021, Ruhr University Bochum, TU Dortmund University and the University of Duisburg-Essen established the Research Alliance Ruhr to bundle their cutting-edge international research on the most urgent challenges facing humankind. There are four research centers and a college.

This is just the latest chapter in our long-standing collaboration as the University Alliance Ruhr (UA Ruhr), a community of 14,000 researchers and 120,000 students in the heart of Germany.

**DIVERSITY**

We strive to significantly increase the percentage of women in research and teaching and therefore welcome applications from female academics. We give preference to severely disabled applicants if their qualifications meet the requirements.

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

Further information about the Research Alliance Ruhr can be found at www.uaruhr.de/researchallianceruhr.