Appointment Requirements for

Junior Professorships (W 1)

In accordance with Article 102a of the Berlin Higher Education Act (Berliner Hochschulgesetz), appointment requirements for junior professorships at Freie Universität Berlin include:

- A university degree.

- Educational competence, usually acquired through ample experience in teaching and training. Factors taken into account may include:
  - courses taught in recent years,
  - teaching, learning, and examination methods applied,
  - educational training completed,
  - course evaluations by students,
  - textbooks authored and course materials designed, or
  - involvement in academic bodies dealing with matters of teaching and learning.

- Exceptional academic or scientific potential as reflected by an outstanding dissertation. The time between the date of the last test performance of the doctoral degree and the date of the application as a junior professor should not add up to more than six years (or nine years in the medical, dental or veterinary fields). Exceptions may be made in special cases.

- Positions in educational science or involving teaching methods or teacher training shall be filled with appointees who have preferably three years of school teaching experience.

- Junior professors in the medical, dental or veterinary fields may additionally be required to provide certification of specialization in the respective medical, dental or veterinary area (Gebietsarzt, Gebietskranarzt, Gebietszahnarzt or their equivalents in other countries) if such qualification is mandated by a position’s designation.

Appointees must provide a certificate of conduct (Führungszeugnis zur Vorlage bei einer Behörde) from a local resident’s registration office and be in a state of health permitting them to unconditionally exercise their duties as professors.