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To meet these goals, Freie Universität Berlin is setting up several **Dahlem International Network Junior Research Groups (DIN JRG)** that will be managed by junior professors.

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invite applications for a

Junior Professorship in North American Literature (salary grade W 1)

The successful applicant will be required to assume responsibilities in research and teaching in the area named above and manage a Junior Research Group.

Appointment requirements are governed by Article 102a of the Berlin Higher Education Act (*Berliner Hochschulgesetz*).

The successful candidate will be familiar with current methods and topics of American Studies. She or he will have a proven record of research in the interdisciplinary field of American Literary History and American Economic History. Candidates will have experience in university teaching and research (preferably internationally) as well as experience with sponsored research.

The appointee will manage a Junior Research Group on the topic *American Literature and Managerialism* during the period of Naturalism. Besides teaching in the regular degree programs of the Institute she or he will work with colleagues on interdisciplinary research projects of Freie Universität Berlin.

The junior professor will be appointed as a civil servant for an initial period of three years. Provided that her or his performance is thereafter evaluated positively, employment may be extended for three more years.

Applications quoting the reference code *JpLitNAJFK* should include a CV, copies of all certificates of academic qualification, a list of publications, evidence of teaching competence (such as courses previously taught) as well as of involvement in ongoing and future research endeavors, joint research projects and externally funded projects.

All materials, including a private postal and/or e-mail address must be received **no later than [4 Wochen]** at

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