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PROFESSORINNENPROGRAMM III

Prorektorat für Forschung, Talententwicklung und Chancengleichheit

Short instructions for the letter of motivation

The letter of motivation represents the core of your application within the framework of the Female Professors Program III at the University of Rostock. Here you have the opportunity to present personal information in a creative way and thus express your motivation for funding. In order to be as meaningful as possible, there are a few aspects to keep in mind:

- Address your personal motivations as well as professional goals and explain how they can be realized with the help of the grant.
- Keep your arguments to the point, avoid empty phrases and sentences without relevant content, e.g. "With this letter of motivation, I would like to apply for funding under the Female Professors Program III."
- > Refrain from recounting your resume and repeating from other documents submitted.
- Provide examples to support theses such as "I am very motivated to work".
- Do not exceed the maximum length of one A4 page.

The following questions can help you when writing your motivation letter:

- Why are you motivated to receive funding under the Female Professors Program III?
- What are your goals with regard to your professional career and how can funding through the
 Female Professors Program III support you in achieving them?
- Regarding your work or your department, are there any equality-related references or facts that could be relevant for the selection decision?
- In the case of grants: Why has there been a delay? At what points, if any, have you already been able to make up time?

Good luck with your application!