

University College of Southeast Norway was established 1 January 2016, and has about 18 000 students and about 1500 employees. The university college is organized in four faculties, with instruction and R&D activities on eight campuses. The main profile of the university college is to provide socially relevant education, geared towards specific professions, and adapted to the requirements of the workplace, as well as to produce applied research and development.

Research fellow in Person-Centered Healthcare in the field of optometry

A three year PhD position in Person-Centered Healthcare is available at the Faculty of Health and Social Sciences. The successful applicant will be expected to carry out a PhD in the field of refractive error development, in particular studying variation of ocular parameters and its association with in-vivo retinal ultrastructures.

The position will be associated with the Department of Optometry, Radiography and Lighting Design, Campus Kongsberg, and the appointed candidate will report to the Head of Department Bente Monica Aakre.

Date of appointment is as soon as possible, and by appointment with Bente Monica Aakre.

Qualifications

Appropriately motivated students should have a Master's degree in optometry, vision science or other relevant field with an average grade of B or equivalent. Candidates with other relevant backgrounds should document their interest and previous work in the field of optometry and visual science. The Master's degree must have been awarded at the time of the application deadline.

It is a requirement that the successful applicant is granted admission to the university college's doctoral programme in Person-Centered Healthcare. The project proposal must have a clear person-centred foundation, see curriculum for the doctoral programme in Person-Centered Healthcare (<https://www.usn.no/research/postgraduate-studies-phd/our-phd-programmes/person-centred-health-care/>).

In addition to formal qualifications, emphasis is put on motivation for doing a PhD, ability to work independently and focused, and the ability to work as part of an active research team. Good oral and written communication skills in English are required. It is preferable that the candidate also has good oral and written communication skills in Norwegian. If the candidate is unfamiliar with Norwegian, he/she will be expected to learn the language through participation in courses offered at the Norwegian language centre (Kongsberg norsksenter).

The applicant's potential for research in the field of study will be emphasized, as well as his / her personal prerequisites for completing research education.

The position is considered an important recruitment position for academic positions at universities and colleges.

Information about the position

The candidates place of work will be in Department of Optometry, Radiography and Lighting Design, Campus Kongsberg.

The PhD project will be supervised by professor Rigmor C. Baraas. The PhD project will be within the theme refractive error development, in particular studying variation of ocular parameters and its association with in-vivo retinal ultrastructures.

The appointment is for a period of three years (100% position). The position does not include teaching duties.

For further information concerning the position please contact professor Rigmor C. Baraas, rigmor.baraas@usn.no, phone +47 92836659, Head of Dept, Bente Monica Aakre, bente.m.aakre@usn.no phone: +47 31 00 89 36 / +47 913 58 525.

For further information about the PhD program in Person-Centered Healthcare please contact Professor Kirsti Skovdahl at the Faculty of Health and Social Sciences.

We offer

- Active and international oriented research environment
- A professionally stimulating working environment.
- Good opportunities to develop your career and your academic skills
- A good social environment
- Attractive welfare benefits in the State Pension Plan

Salary

The appointment is remunerated according to the Norwegian national salary scheme, PhD Research Fellow (code 1017): NOK 436 900 a year. Further promotion will be based on service in the position. A statutory contribution will be made from the employee's salary to the state pension plan.

Additional information

Appointment to the position will be carried out by The Appointments Board for PhD Research Fellows at the University College of Southeast Norway. Applicants may be assessed by a group of experts appointed by the Faculty Dean. Short-listed candidates will be invited for interviews and must be prepared to present and discuss their projects in English.

The successful applicants must comply with the laws, regulations and agreements that apply to the position.

The University College of Southeast Norway aims to have academic staff that reflects the composition of the general population in terms of age, gender and ethnic background. The Faculty of Health Sciences encourages males and people from ethnic minorities are encouraged to apply for the position.

According to the Norwegian Freedom of Information act §25-2, information about the applicants may be included in an official list of applicants which will be made public, even if the applicant has requested non-disclosure. The applicant will be informed if his/her request has been declined.

How to apply

University College of Southeast Norway uses online applications. Applicants must register their application, CV and submit necessary documentation online by clicking on the "Send application" link to the right. The applicant must submit the following documents:

1. Certified diplomas and transcript of records and certificates from university college/university (Bachelor and master level)
2. Master's thesis
3. A 3-page (maximum) project description, written in English, demonstrating how your project will provide new and relevant knowledge to the given field of research, proposed aim/s, research questions and methodology and how your project will fit into a person-centred profile
4. Any scientific publications and a list of these
5. Candidates with other relevant backgrounds should document their previous interest and work in the field of optometry and visual science. This could be publications or previous academic work.
6. Three references (contact information)
7. TOEFL or IELTS for non-Scandinavian and English speaking applicants.

Please note that all documents must be translated into English by an authorized translator.

Jobbnorge ID: 147735, Deadline: Closed