



UNIVERSITETET I BERGEN

**University of
Bergen**
Department of
Foreign Languages

The University of Bergen (UiB) is an internationally recognised research university with more than 14,000 students and close to 3,500 employees at six faculties. The university is located in the heart of Bergen. Our main contribution to society is excellent basic research and education across a wide range of disciplines.

PhD research fellowship: 2 positions

There is a vacancy for 2 PhD positions at the Department of Foreign Languages, by plan starting 1 January 2019 or as agreed. The positions are for a fixed-term period of 4 years.

The Department of Foreign Languages spans nine different languages: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Russian and Spanish language and Latin-American Studies. Teaching and research are conducted in the disciplines language/linguistics, literature, cultural studies and didactics (<http://www.uib.no/en/fremmedsprak>). The Department has slightly more than 50 permanent academic staff members, along with four post-docs, around twenty PhD candidates and eleven administrative members of staff.

The positions are open to applicants within all nine languages at the department. The applicants may define their own projects, but the project must be embedded in one of the disciplines at the Department. Cross-disciplinary projects are also welcome.

Qualifications and personal qualities

- The applicants must hold a Norwegian master's degree or the equivalent in a discipline that is relevant for the PhD project. It is a condition of employment that the master's degree has been awarded at the time of application. Applicants who do not have a Norwegian master's degree will be evaluated according to the regulations of the Norwegian Agency for Quality Assurance in Education (NOKUT). The Department can send documentation of foreign education to NOKUT in order to evaluate whether this degree is equivalent to a Norwegian master's degree.
- The applicants must be able to work independently in a well-structured way and have good cooperation skills.
- Applicants must have contacted a supervisor permanently employed at the Department of Foreign Languages, and the applications must include a confirmation from this supervisor. Contact the Coordinator of Research at the Department, Åsta Haukås (see below).

In assessing the applications, both the academic quality of the project and the applicant's qualification will be considered.

In cases where ranked applicants have approximately equivalent qualifications, strategic considerations, motivation and the applicant's personal eligibility will be taken into account.

The employment period may be reduced for candidates who have previously been employed in a recruitment position at other institutions. Applicants who have already held a PhD position at the University of Bergen, are not eligible for employment.

About the PhD positions

The main purpose of the PhD position is to complete a doctoral degree, which qualifies for independent research and for other forms of employment that demand specific competency. The duration of the PhD position is 4 years, of which 25 per cent of the time comprises obligatory duties associated with teaching, dissemination of results and administration. The plan for this part of the position is developed in collaboration with the Department at the very beginning of the employment period.

The PhD position demands that the applicant has his or her regular workplace at the University of Bergen, Department of Foreign Languages and comply with the guidelines that apply to the position at all times.

About the research training

The PhD Candidates must participate in an approved educational programme for a PhD degree within a period of 3 years. It is a condition that applicants satisfy the enrolment requirements for the PhD programme at the University of Bergen.

We offer

- A good and professionally challenging working environment.
- Salary at pay grade 51 (Code 1017/Pay range 20, alternative 9) in the state salary scale, currently approx. NOK 449.000 gross p.a. following ordinary meriting regulations.
- Enrolment in the Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund.
- A position in an inclusive workplace (IA enterprise).
- Good welfare benefits.

How to apply

Applications must be sent electronically via the link on this site: "APPLY FOR THIS JOB". The applicant must use the electronic CV-form.

The application must include:

- A brief account of the applicant's research interests and motivation for applying for the position.
- The names and contact information for two referees. One of these must be the main advisor for the master's thesis or equivalent thesis.
- CV.
- Transcripts and diplomas showing completion of the bachelor's and master's degrees.
- A short summary of the master's thesis or equivalent thesis (up to 3 pages).
- Relevant certificates/references.
- A summary of the proposed project (up to 5 pages/12.000 characters including spaces, excluding the bibliography).
- A progress plan for the PhD project.
- Bibliography for the proposed project.
- A list of any works of a scientific nature (publication list).
- Any publications in your name.
- A conformation letter from your main supervisor at the Department of Foreign Languages.

The application and appendices with certified translations into English or a Scandinavian language must be uploaded at Jobbnorge. Attachments can be either in Word or pdf-format.

General information

Detailed information about the positions can be obtained by contacting Coordinator of Research, Åsta Haukås on email asta.haukas@uib.no or telephone (+47) 55 58 24 88 or Research Advisor Jan A. Johansen on email jan.johansen@uib.no or telephone (+47) 55 58 93 78.

The state labour force shall reflect the diversity of Norwegian society to the greatest extent possible. Age and gender balance among employees is therefore a goal. It is also a goal to recruit people with immigrant backgrounds. People with immigrant backgrounds and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply for the position.

The University of Bergen applies the principle of public access to information when recruiting staff for academic positions. Information about applicants may be made public even if the applicant has asked not to be named on the list of persons who have applied. The applicant must be notified if the request to be omitted is not met.

Further information about the appointment process [here](#).

Questions or inquiries about the electronic application process can be directed to: fakadm@hf.uib.no.

Application deadline: 31 October 2018

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Jobbnorge ID: 157291, Deadline: The application deadline has passed