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Deadline: 8/31/2023

Website: <http://www.uio.no/>

Scope: Fulltime

Duration: Temporary

PhD Research Fellow CLEG

Job description

Applicants are invited for a 4-year position as PhD Research Fellow in the area of Curriculum Studies and Didactics to be based at the Department of Education, University of Oslo.

Democracy, participation and sustainability are keywords that address global, national and local challenges. Public education is expected to play an active role in responding to these challenges. Simultaneously, international organizations, stakeholders and interest groups offer different solutions and pose different future narratives for how to handle these challenges. Within this context, national curricula and support structures are seen as devices that can govern education in appropriate ways.

The PhD position is expected to contribute to a critical understanding of how national curriculum policies respond to democratic challenges promoted by global or local organizations or how schools and professions work to develop democratic, sustainable and inclusive practices in their daily school life.

The project could compare Norwegian curricula with other countries' curricula with a particular interest in subject-specific or cross-disciplinary topics or the applicant can also zoom in on particular issues regarding national education politics and/ or programmatic work of professionals in schools and the surrounding society. A contemporary curriculum history approach to sustainability and democracy is also welcome.

It is expected that the announced PhD position will be connected to the research group Curriculum Studies, Leadership and Educational governance (CLEG). More information about the research group can be found on the [group's website](#).

More about the position

The fellowship period is up to 4 years, with 3 years devoted to research education. The position entails a compulsory workload of 25%, that consists of teaching and supervision duties and research assistance.

The research fellow must take part in the faculty's approved PhD program and is expected to complete the project within the set fellowship period. The main purpose of the fellowship is research training leading to the successful completion of a PhD degree

[For more information, please see our web site.](#)

Qualification requirements

Applicants must satisfy the requirements for admission to the faculty's PhD programme. This normally includes:

- Applicants must hold a master's degree or equivalent in pedagogy, education or other relevant discipline in social sciences (e.g. law, sociology, political science).
- A Master's degree (120 ECTS) with a minimum grade B (ECTS grading scale) or equivalent. The master's degree must include a thesis of at least 30 ECTS, with a minimum grade B.
- Fluent oral and written communication skills in English and Norwegian (or another Scandinavian language)

In the assessment of applications, emphasis will be placed on:

- The quality of the project description, the description of the research topic's relevance to educational issues, the specific problems to be studied, the choice of scientific theory and method, and the proposed implementation plan for the study

- The applicant's experience, personal suitability and motivation for the post, including the ability to collaborate and to form part of a cross-disciplinary academic community
- The applicant's academic attitude and motivation regarding completing the research training program

We offer

- Salary NOK 532 200 - 575 400 per annum depending on qualifications in a position as PhD Research Fellow, (position code 1017)
- Attractive [welfare benefits](#) and a [generous pension agreement](#), in addition to Oslo's family-friendly environment with its rich opportunities for culture and outdoor activities

How to apply and what to include in your application

The application must include:

- Cover letter, including statement of motivation and research interests
- A project description, including progress plan (5-7 pages) [Please see our guidelines](#).
- CV (summarizing education, positions and academic work)
- Copies of educational certificates (academic transcripts only). Foreign applicants must attach an explanation of their university's grading system.
- Documentation of English proficiency (for information on required documentation, [see information on this webpage](#))
- Master thesis
- A complete list of publications and academic works
- List of reference persons: 2-3 references (name, relation to candidate, e-mail, and phone number)

Incomplete applications will not be assessed.

Please note that all documents should be in English (or a Scandinavian language).

The application with attachments must be delivered in our electronic recruiting system, please follow the link: "Apply for this job".

When evaluating the application, emphasis will be given to the project description and the applicant's academic and personal prerequisites to carry out the project. Applicants may be called in for an interview.

Contact information

For questions about the position, please contact:

Associate Professor [Kirsten Sivesind](#)

Professor [Tone Kvernbekk](#)

Formal regulations

Please see the [guidelines and regulations for appointments to Research Fellowships](#) at the University of Oslo.

No one can be appointed for more than one PhD Research Fellowship period at the University of Oslo.

According to the Norwegian Freedom and Information Act (Offentleglova) information about the applicant may be included in the public applicant list, also in cases where the applicant has requested non-disclosure.

The appointment may be shortened/given a more limited scope within the framework of the applicable guidelines on account of any previous employment in academic positions.

The University of Oslo has [an agreement](#) for all employees, aiming to secure rights to research results etc.

Inclusion and diversity are a strength. The University of Oslo has a personnel policy objective of achieving a balanced gender composition. Furthermore, we want employees with diverse professional expertise, life experience and perspectives.

If there are qualified applicants with disabilities, employment gaps or immigrant background, we will invite at least one applicant from each of these categories to an interview.

About the University of Oslo

The University of Oslo is Norway's oldest and highest ranked educational and research institution, with 28 000 students and 7000 employees. With its broad range of academic disciplines and internationally recognised research communities, UiO is an important contributor to society.

[The Department of Education](#) was established in 1938 and is one of three departments at The Faculty of Educational Sciences which also has a permanent center.

The research is based on traditions from both the social and the human sciences, and the department thus accommodates great breadth in topics and perspectives. The department employs approximately 100 people; 49 scientific staff, 35 doctoral and post-doctoral students, and 20 administrative/technical staff. The number of students is approximately 900.

Additional information

Place of service:

Blindern 0316 Oslo (Oslo Municipality)