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## The Norwegian School of Sports and Sciences

The Norwegian School of Sport Sciences (NIH) is a specialized university and serves as the premier education and research institution of sport science in the Nordic countries. Our mission is to educate, investigate and present a broad range of topics within theoretical and practical sport science. Our Bachelor's degree, Master's degree and PhD programmes aim to be of great relevance.

NIH has approximately 1300 students and a staff of 240 in four departments, six administrative units and two research centres. The campus and sports facilities are located near Sognsvann. For more information on NIH, visit <http://www.nih.no>

Department of Sport and Social Sciences

## Phd in Visual perception and scanning in elite ice hockey

### The position

The Department of Sport and Social Sciences is advertising a three-year doctoral fellowship in the field of sport and psychology. The predefined doctoral project will focus on visual perception and scanning in elite ice hockey. It is externally funded by USA Hockey, the Norwegian Ice Hockey Association, and Pittsburgh Penguins in the NHL.

The overall aim of the predefined project is to get a better understanding of how elite ice hockey players scan and explore their environment on the ice in games, and the extent to which scanning is related to performance and player safety. More specifically, we want to explore detailed characteristics of scanning in hockey, how it varies with different contexts, and what its impact is on performance and injury incidence. Video observation and quantitative behavior analyses are the primary methods.

The successful candidate will have completed a Master's degree in sport psychology or related field.

The predefined project will be under the supervision of Professor Geir Jordet.

The candidate is also expected to work in close collaboration with other staff at the Department of Sport and Social Sciences, as well as staff at USA Hockey, the Norwegian Ice Hockey Association, and Pittsburgh Penguins.

### Qualification requirements and selection process

The applicant must be qualified for a doctoral fellowship at the [Ph.D. programme at NIH](#) (completed a master's degree in sport psychology or related/relevant field) with a minimum grade point average of B. We seek a curious, practical, detail-oriented, motivated, and self-driven candidate with a strong interest in the perceptual-cognitive aspects of elite sports and performance.

- The successful candidate should have knowledge and experience in conducting research in sports and/or psychology, with specific insight into behavior observation and/or game analytics.
- The applicant will need to demonstrate interest in perceptual-cognitive skills and ice hockey.
- The candidate must demonstrate the ability to work independently and as part of a research team.
- Fluent/excellent written and oral skills in English is required.
- The candidate should possess good collaboration skills.
- Experience from ice hockey or equivalent team sports as an athlete, coach, analyst and/or consultant will be a benefit.

### Selection criteria when ranking the applicants

Emphasis will mostly be placed on the following:

- Quality and relevance of master thesis/previous academic or research work and most relevant research methods as mentioned above
- Personal suitability, communication skills, creativity, and attention to detail

Additional emphasis will be placed on

- Experience as athlete/coach or with sport analytics
- Methodological competencies

The successful candidate will be requested to formally apply for enrolment as a PhD student at NIH. Employment as a PhD fellow will be conditional on successful enrolment in the PhD programme. For more information, please see: [www.nih.no/en/research/phd-program/](http://www.nih.no/en/research/phd-program/)

## The working place is the Department of Sport and Social Sciences at the NIH

After the application period has expired a list of applicants will be published. Note that, in special cases, information about applicants to a position may be made public even though the applicant has requested that their application should be processed confidentially.

Applicants requesting an exemption from publication of their details must explain their reasons for doing so in their application.

It is up to NIH to determine whether the request shall be approved or not. If it is not approved, the applicant will be notified so that they can withdraw the application.

The person who is appointed must abide by the applicable laws, agreements, and directives. The responsibilities and duties associated with the position may change with future reorganization at NIH.

The public sector workforce is expected to reflect the diversity of the population in general. NIH therefore encourages qualified candidates with disabilities, gaps in their CV, immigrant backgrounds or different life experiences to apply for the position. NIH practices moderate allocation according to gender quotas as per the Basic Agreement for State Employees. If applicants indicate that they have disabilities or gaps in their CV, their details may be used anonymously for the purposes of governmental annual review.

## Contact information

Interested applicants are advised to contact the academic community in preparing the application. Further details can be obtained by contacting:

- Professor Geir Jordet, e-mail: [geirj@nih.no](mailto:geirj@nih.no)
- Professor and Head of Department, Lone Friis Thing, phone +47 23262401, email: [loneft@nih.no](mailto:loneft@nih.no)

HR department, Senior Adviser, Bente Johansen; email: [bentejoh@nih.no](mailto:bentejoh@nih.no)

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## How to apply

Applications are accepted using our on-line application procedure: see Job opportunities (jobb Norge) <https://www.nih.no/en/about/>

The application should be written in English.

Foreign applicants are required to attach an explanation of their University's grading system.

In addition to the electronic CV registered through our website, the applicant must submit:

- A personal application letter
- CV (summarizing education, positions and academic work including publications, Master theses etc.)
- Copies of educational certificates and grades
- Names, email and telephone number of 2-3 referees (describe relation to applicant)

The application with attachments must be delivered in our electronic recruitment system. Please note that all documents must be in English or a Scandinavian language.

International applicants, or applicants who hold an international degree, are advised to apply [the Norwegian Directorate for Higher Education and Skills](https://hkdir.no/en/foreign-education/education-from-outside-of-norway/recognition-of-foreign-higher-education-bachelor-master-and-phd) for recognition of education from abroad: <https://hkdir.no/en/foreign-education/education-from-outside-of-norway/recognition-of-foreign-higher-education-bachelor-master-and-phd>

In assessing the applications, special emphasis will be placed on the documented, academic qualifications, as well as the applicant's academic and personal prerequisites to carry out the project.

Short-listed applicants will be invited for an interview.

## We offer

- The position's starting salary is yearly 532.200 NOK, position code SKO 1017. The appointment will be made according to terms applying to civil servants.
- The NIH is a member of the Norwegian State Pension Fund.
- The PhD research fellowship period is 3 years.

## Formal regulations

For more information about our PhD program at the Norwegian School of Sport Sciences, see [the rules and regulations](#) for appointments to Ph.D. Research fellowships at NIH.

## Tilleggsinformasjon

### Arbeidssted:

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