

**Jobbnorge ID:** 294837  
**Deadline:** 4/29/2026  
**Website:** <http://www.ntnu.no>  
**Scope:** Fulltime  
**Duration:** Permanent

Department of Sociology and Political Science (ISS) has a vacant permanent position as

## ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR IN SPORTS SCIENCE (SOCIAL SCIENCES PROFILE)

### This is NTNU

NTNU is a broad-based university with a technical-scientific profile and a focus on professional education. The university is located in three cities with headquarters in Trondheim.

At NTNU, 9,000 employees and 44,000 students work to create knowledge for a better world.

Video: <https://youtu.be/Xt-yHCN5QS0>

### Om stillingen

#### Why apply for a position with us?

As an Associate Professor in Sports Science, you will have the opportunity to contribute to research and teaching in Sports Science with a Social Sciences Profile, within a dynamic and multidisciplinary environment. You will become part of an engaged academic community that combines deep subject expertise with collaboration across disciplines. You will become part of an engaged academic environment that combines research and teaching at a high international level, focusing on the role of sports in society, performance, physical education, and organization. We offer excellent opportunities for professional development, collaboration in active research groups, and access to modern facilities for teaching and research. With us, you will have the space to develop your own research projects, supervise students at all levels, and contribute to knowledge development that makes a difference - both locally and globally.

#### About the position

The professional field of the position as Associate Professor is Sports Science with a Social Sciences Profile. The research and teaching background of the person appointed to the position must be related to this research area, including academic perspectives from sports psychology, sports pedagogy, sports sociology, and other social science disciplines, and to the strategic focus areas of the Department.

The Sports Science group at the department focus their research and teaching particularly on social and organizational aspects of sports participation, physical education, performance, and training. Applicants should have research and teaching experience in one or more of these focus areas. All these areas are equally important, and we are now looking for candidates who can complement each other and the current sports science staff's research and teaching in the department.

The Department of Sociology and Political Science (ISS) conducts research, teaching, and dissemination of knowledge in sociology, political science, sport science, and media studies. The Department has approximately 100 employees and 12 study programs. ISS is characterized by strong disciplines with emphasis on sociology and political science, contributing to interdisciplinary study programs and research at NTNU. For more information, please see <http://www.ntnu.edu/iss>

Your immediate supervisor is the Head of the Department. The position is full-time.

### Duties of the position

- Responsibility for teaching and research in Sports Science with a Social Sciences Profile
- Conduct teaching activities in accordance with the current study program and teaching plan. Supervision of bachelor, master and doctoral candidates in relevant fields
- Carry out of exam work.
- Work on further development of research, courses and teaching practice in Sports Science
- Contribute to relevant continuing and further education programs at the Department.
- Carry out research within professional field of the position and the candidate's special research interests and participate in one or more of the Department's research groups.
- Responsibility for dissemination of research findings
- Represent the field of study and the Department's academic discipline in local, national and international interdisciplinary research collaboration
- Take on the departments's academic responsibility together with other academic staff.
- Responsibility for administrative tasks and contribution to the development of discipline-specific strategic work.

The person who is appointed must be able to teach Sports Psychology and Sports Science with a Social Sciences Profile, and subjects related to their own specialization at bachelor- and master levels, and, if necessary, also on general introductory subjects (such as social science methods or organization and management).

The Associate Professor is obliged to conform with the regulations concerning changes and developments within the discipline and/or the organizational changes concerning activities at NTNU.

## Required qualifications

You must have the following qualifications required for the position of Associate Professor:

- a doctoral degree in Social Sciences (such as Psychology, Sports Science, Pedagogy, Sociology) and thematically related to Sports Science, or competence at an equivalent level documented either by scientific work or artistic work of the same scope and quality.
- educational competence. You must document relevant basic competence in teaching and supervision at a university/higher education-level, as referenced in the [NTNUs guidelines for academic positions](#). If this cannot be documented, you will be required to complete an approved course in university pedagogy within two years of commencement. NTNU offers qualifying courses.
- After 3 years, it is a requirement that you achieve Norwegian language skills at level B2. If you do not master Norwegian when starting the position, it is a prerequisite that you within three years can demonstrate knowledge of Norwegian at a level equivalent to B2 [in the course for non-native speakers held at the Department of Language and Literature at NTNU](#). Language proficiency in Swedish or Danish is considered equivalent to Norwegian.
- Good communication skills in written and spoken English.

## Preferred qualifications

- Emphasis is placed on both recognized Scandinavian and English-language international publications. Attention will be given to the candidate's willingness and potential for national and international research collaboration.
- Special emphasis will be placed on the candidate's future research and teaching potential, and whether this is in accordance with the strategic goals of the Department. Originality and quality in scientific publishing over the past five years, excluding parental leave, will be emphasized.
- Applicants must document progression in research and publication, and present future research and publication plans. The candidate must be able to show the ability and willingness to contribute to the long-term development of research at the Department. Furthermore, we emphasize the applicant's ability to tie their research plans and interests to the research (people and areas) where the Department has ongoing activities and development potential.
- Flexibility, willingness, and ability to contribute broadly to research and teaching activities at the Department.
- Experience from teaching in sports psychology
- Experience as a project manager and with externally funded research is an advantage

## Personal qualities

- personal qualities such as independence, problem-solving skills, willingness to collaborate, creativity, and motivation to contribute to a positive professional and social environment will be highly valued.

## We offer

- exciting and challenging tasks in a strong international academic environment
- an open and [inclusive work environment](#) with dedicated colleagues
- favourable terms in the [Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund](#)
- [employee benefits](#)

## Application Process

You can find more information about working at NTNU and the application process [here](#).

Video: <https://youtu.be/bwfNPj8HxHw>

## Salary and conditions

As an Associate Professor (code 1011) you are normally paid from gross 750 000 NOK per annum before tax, depending on qualifications and seniority. As required by law, 2% of this salary will be deducted and paid into the Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund.

The engagement is to be made in accordance with the regulations in force concerning [State Employees and Civil Servants](#), and the acts relating to Control of the Export of Strategic Goods, Services and Technology. Candidates who by assessment of the application and attachment are seen to conflict with the criteria in the latter law will be prohibited from recruitment to NTNU.

After the appointment you must assume that there may be changes in the area of work.

For the necessary professional and social interaction, it is a prerequisite that you are physically present and available to the institution on a daily basis.

## About the application

Your application and supporting documentation must be in English or Norwegian/a Scandinavian language.

Please note that the application will only be assessed on the basis of the information we have received by the application deadline. Therefore, make sure that your application clearly shows how your skills and experience meet the criteria described above. The application and all attachments must be sent electronically via [Jobbnorge.no](http://Jobbnorge.no). If you are invited to an interview, you must bring certified copies of certificates and diplomas upon request.

If, for any reason, you have taken a career break or have had an atypical career and wish to disclose this in your application, the selection committee will take this into account, recognizing that the quantity of your research may be reduced as a result.

#### Your application must include:

- CV, diplomas, and certificates
- A teaching portfolio, in which your teaching competence is compiled and presented systematically, (See guidelines for applicants: [Documentation of educational competence](#))
- Academic works - published or unpublished - that you wish to be considered during assessment of your application (up to 5 items), and which the applicant considers their most important contributions to the field of Sports Science. A brief description of these works and their contributions to the field/research areas for the advertised position.
- A description of the scientific/artistic works you consider most relevant, which you particularly wish to be factored into the assessment
- A complete publication list
- A research plan
- Details of projects for which you have served as project manager, including information on financing, duration, and scope
- Names and contact information for three relevant referees

It is important that you both document and reflect on your competence. You are encouraged to use the [NTNUs competence matrix](#) as a guide for documentation of your competence.

Joint work will also be considered. If it is difficult to identify your specific input to a joint project, you must include evidence of your contributions.

In the evaluation of which candidate is best qualified, emphasis will be placed on education, experience and personal and interpersonal qualities. Motivation, ambitions, and potential will also count in the assessment of the candidates. Our assessment of the pedagogical skills will be based on documented pedagogical material, forms of presentation in your academic works, teaching experience, PhD, and Masters supervision, and any other relevant pedagogical background. Both quality and scope will be taken into consideration, and an open scientific practice will be recognized.

NTNU is obliged by the evaluation criteria for research quality in accordance with [The San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment - DORA](#) and the obligations in the [Coalition for Advancing Research Assessment \(CoARA\)](#) on responsible assessment of research and recognition of a wider range of academic contributions to science and society. This means that we will pay particular attention to the quality and academic range demonstrated by your scientific work to date. We will also pay attention to research leadership and participation in research projects. Your scientific work from the last five years will be given the most weight.

Your application will be considered by an expert committee. Candidates of interest will be invited to an interview, and to deliver a trial teaching session.

## General information

Diversity is a strength, and at NTNU we aim to be an employer that reflects the diversity in society and that makes use of the potential of the population's collective skills. Our vision is [Knowledge for a better world](#) and [our values are creative, critical, constructive and respectful](#). We believe that an organization that is equal, diverse, and gender-balanced is essential for us to achieve our goals.

We strive to attract employees with different skills, life experiences and perspectives to contribute to even better problem solving of our societal mission in research and education.

If you think this position is relevant and interesting, we encourage you to apply, regardless of gender, functional ability, and cultural background, or whether you have been out of work for a period of time.

At NTNU we want to increase the proportion of women in scientific positions. We have a number of [measures](#) to promote equality.

As an employee at NTNU, you must continually maintain and improve your professional development and be flexible regarding any organizational changes.

A public list of applicants with name, age, job title and municipality of residence is prepared after the application deadline. If you want to reserve yourself from entry on the public applicant list, this must be justified. Assessment will be made in accordance with [current legislation](#). You will be notified if the reservation is not accepted.

For the sake of transparency, candidates will be given expert evaluations of their own and other candidates. As an applicant you are considered part of the process and are stipulated by rules of confidentiality.

If you have any questions regarding the position, please contact Head of Department Toril Aalberg, e-mail [toril.aalberg@ntnu.no](mailto:toril.aalberg@ntnu.no)

If you have questions regarding the recruitment process, please contact HR Advisor Renate Lillian Johansen, e-mail [renate.johansen@ntnu.no](mailto:renate.johansen@ntnu.no)

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**The city of Trondheim** is a modern European city with a rich cultural scene. Trondheim is the innovation capital of Norway with a population of 200,000. The Norwegian welfare state, including healthcare, schools, kindergartens and overall equality, is probably the best of its kind in the world. Professional subsidized day-care for children is easily available. Furthermore, Trondheim offers great opportunities for education (including international schools) and possibilities to enjoy nature, culture and family life and has low crime rates and clean air quality.

## NTNU - knowledge for a better world

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The Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) creates knowledge for a better world and solutions that can change everyday life.

### **Department of Sociology and Political Science**

We conduct research, teaching and dissemination in sociology, political science, media, communication and information technology, and sport sciences. The Department offers five-year master's programmes in teacher education (lektorutdanning) in social sciences as well as in physical education and sports. As a social science department we have a special obligation to contribute to the public debate on important social issues. [The Department of Sociology and Political Science](#) is one of six departments in [the Faculty of Social and Educational Sciences](#).

### **Additional information**

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