



PhD Research Fellowship

Job description

The appointment is a 3 year full time position (code 1017) in the [Institute for Health and Society](#), The Faculty of Medicine. The position is connected to the research group [KNOWIT](#) at the Department of Health Sciences. The aim of KNOWIT is to explore factors that inhibit and facilitate translation processes in healthcare and develop concepts and models to evaluate and facilitate such processes

The PhD fellowship is related to an established research project which aims is to study the development and implementation of United Nation's new sustainable development agenda with 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). <http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals/> The new Agenda is unique in that it calls for action by all countries, poor, rich and middle-income to promote prosperity and end poverty. All countries share the responsibility for following-up and reviewing progress made in implementing the 17 goals. Health and well-being holds a prominent position in the 2030 Agenda as a core dimension of social sustainability.

The established research project traces the sustainable development transformation path from the creation process resulting in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to the implementation of the goals in local health care and educational settings with special emphasis on potential tensions between global and local concerns. The purpose of the PhD-fellow's research project will be to understand barriers to the realisation of gender-related health and bodily integrity rights as operationalised in the SDGs. Special emphasis has to be on development aid projects focusing on the transfer of knowledge and skills from international non-governmental organisations (INGOs) to local partners and beneficiaries.

The material for the project will consist of 1) texts from key development aid actors in the international, (Norwegian) governmental and non-governmental sectors, and 2) an ethnographic study of a representative development aid programme in order to explore learnings from phase one and explore divergences of priorities and conceptualizations between the INGO that is the "project owner" and its local implementing project partners.

The appointment is a fulltime position and is made for a period of three years. 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. For information: <https://www.med.uio.no/english/research/phd/index.html>

Starting date has to be September 15 2019 at latest.

The main purpose of the fellowship is research training leading to the successful completion of a PhD degree.

Qualification requirements

- Applicants must hold a Master's degree (120 ECTS) or an equivalent qualification in medicine or other relevant field, minimum grade B (ECTS grading scale) or equivalent. The Master's degree must include a thesis of at least 30 ECTS
- Fluent oral and written communication skills in English and a Scandinavian language is required
- Prior experience within the R&D fields mentioned in the job description is an advantage
- Preferably the candidate will have knowledge about the UN's system and international non-governmental organisations (INGOs)
- The ideal candidate is able to work effectively as part of a team

We seek candidates with a strong background in at least one of the following; global health, global governance, gender studies, studies of human rights, text analysis, discourse analysis, ethnographic research methods.

Personal skills

The candidate should be able to work independently and structured, while at the same time engage in close collaborations with members of the research group and research participants.

In assessing the applications, special emphasis will be placed on the relevance of the candidate's background including international work experience and networks.

We offer

- Salary NOK 449 400 - 505 800 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

The application must include

- A two-page text describing current research interests and potential contributions to the planned project
- cover letter statement of motivation and research interests
- CV (summarizing education, positions held, details of work and other qualifying activities)

- copies of educational certificates and transcripts of records
- documentation of english proficiency
- Names and contact details of 2-3 referees stating relation to candidate, e-mail and telephone number

The application with attachments must be delivered in our electronic recruiting system, please follow the link "apply for this job". Foreign applicants are advised to attach an explanation of their University's grading system. Please note that all documents should be in English (or a Scandinavian language).

In assessing the applications, special emphasis will be placed on the documented, academic qualifications, as well as the candidate's motivation and personal suitability. Interviews with the best qualified candidates will be arranged.

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.

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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 Institute of Health and Society is one of three institutes at the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Oslo. The Institute covers various disciplines and consists of six departments: General Practice, Health Sciences, Health Management and Health Economics, Medical Ethics, Community Medicine and Global Health and Nursing Science.

The Institute of Health and Society bases its work on a complex understanding of disease, health and health systems. Culture, environment, economics, society and biology play direct and indirect roles. Our teaching responsibilities include seven Master's programs, one Bachelor program and part of the Faculty's medical school and PhD-program. We employ about 220 FTE and have almost 700 Bachelor and Master students. Annual income is about 200 mill NOK, half of which is external funding. Our researchers play an active part of public policy and disseminate new knowledge through many channels.

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