PhD Research Fellowships in Social Anthropology

Job description

The Department of Social Anthropology invites candidates to apply for two Ph.D. Research Fellowships, with starting date in January 2021.

The Department wishes to recruit two Ph.D. candidates with excellent research qualifications within Social Anthropology. Applicants should relate to one or more of the Department's core research areas. Information about research groups and projects can be found on the Department's website [http://www.sv.uio.no/sai/](http://www.sv.uio.no/sai/). The successful candidates are expected to strengthen the research area(s) they relate to, and to contribute to and participate in research activities at the Department. The successful candidates are expected to take residence in Oslo, except for the period of fieldwork for up to 12 months.

More about the position

The appointment is for the duration of three years; the contract may be extended by an additional year for the PhD candidate to be involved in teaching and other administrative tasks at the Department of Social Anthropology (depending on performance and availability of teaching duties)

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.

Qualification requirements

- Applicants must hold a Master’s degree or equivalent (120 ECTS) in social anthropology; degrees in related disciplines (e.g. human geography or qualitative sociology) can be considered. The minimum grade on the thesis should be B (ECTS grading scale) or equivalent. The Master’s degree must include a thesis of at least 30 ECTS.
- Applicants must have fluent oral and written communication skills in English.

We offer

- salary NOK 479 600 - 523 200 (approx. 48 000 - 52 000 Euro) per year depending on qualifications in a position as PhD Research fellow, position code 1017.
- Academically stimulating work environment
- Funds for research, travel, conference participation and dissemination, books and equipment
- 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

- Cover letter (statement of motivation and research interests, 1-2 pages)
- CV (including a complete list of education with grades, positions, pedagogical and administrative experience, publications and other qualifying activities)
- Project description for the work to be undertaken during the course of the term of appointment, including the theme of the project, issues to be examined, the chosen theoretical and methodological approach and a progress plan (recommended total length, including list of references: 7-10 pages; 10 pages is an absolute maximum)
- A list of publications and academic work (if applicable)
- Copies of educational certificates (academic transcripts only)

The application with attachments must be delivered in our electronic recruiting system Jobbnorge, please follow the link “send application”. International 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).

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. A good match between the candidate's proposal and the Department's activities and areas of competence is a main selection criterion along with the quality of the proposal and the qualifications of the candidate.

Interviews will be held during the appointment process. At that stage candidates will be asked to provide names and contact details of 3 persons for references.
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 of 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 Department of Social Anthropology is part of the Faculty of Social Sciences. Since its establishment in 1964, the Department has been a leading anthropological research and teaching environment internationally. It is one of the largest university departments for social anthropology in Europe and the largest in the Nordic countries, offering a broad and creative work environment. Approximately 400 students are currently enrolled in the Bachelor and Master programmes at the Department. The Faculty of Social Sciences offers a PhD program, with 330 students currently enrolled. Of these, about thirty are currently following the study track in Social Anthropology.

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