PhD Research Fellow in Geoscience

About the position

Position as PhD Research Fellow in Geoscience is available at the Department of Geosciences.

No one can be appointed for more than one PhD Research Fellowship period at the University of Oslo. Starting date no later than 31.12.2020.

The fellowship period is 3 or 4 years, with 3 years devoted to research education. Depending on qualifications, the evaluation committee for the position will decide if the candidate can be offered a 4th year. In that case, the position entails a compulsory work load of 25% that may consist of teaching, supervision duties, and research assistance.

Job Description

This is an open position where the applicants will be evaluated based on:

- Grades on Bachelor and Master courses and the Master’s thesis
- A research plan, where the topic must align with one of the research fields covered at the Department. The research plan can be developed in collaboration with one of the Faculty members at our Department.
- A plan on how to contribute in teaching at the Department, and documentation of any past teaching experience.

Qualification requirements

The Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences has a strategic ambition to be among Europe’s leading communities for research, education and innovation. Candidates for these fellowships will be selected in accordance with this, and expected to be in the upper segment of their class with respect to academic credentials.

We seek a highly motivated candidate for a PhD-project in the fields of Geosciences, which includes geology, physical geography and geophysics incl. climate science.

Required qualifications:

- MSc degree within natural sciences with relation to Geosciences, with well-above average grades.
- Foreign completed degree (M.Sc.-level) corresponding to a minimum of four years in the Norwegian educational system

Desired qualifications:

- The faculty aims to strengthen computational skills within all branches of natural sciences, so computational and mathematical skills will be regarded positive.
- Knowledge of a Scandinavian language is an advantage when considering a 4th year including teaching duties.

Grade requirements:

The norm is as follows:

- the average grade point for courses included in the Bachelor’s degree must be C or better in the Norwegian educational system
- the average grade point for courses included in the Master’s degree must be B or better in the Norwegian educational system
- the Master’s thesis must have the grade B or better in the Norwegian educational system
- Fluent oral and written communication skills in English
- English requirements for applicants from outside of EU/ EEA countries

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

The fellowship requires admission to the PhD programme at the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences. The application to the PhD programme must be submitted to the department no later than two months after taking up the position. For more information see:

http://www.uio.no/english/research/phd/
http://www.mn.uio.no/english/research/phd/

We offer

- Salary NOK 479 600 - 523 200 per annum depending on qualifications and seniority as PhD Research Fellow (position code 1017)
- Attractive welfare benefits and a generous pension agreement
- Vibrant international academic environment
How to apply

The application must include:

- Cover letter, including a one page statement of motivation and research interests indicating why the indicated PhD topic fits their interest and background.
- A research plan, where the topic must align with one of the research fields covered at the Department.
- A plan on how to contribute in teaching at the Department, and documentation of any past teaching experience.
- CV (summarizing education, positions and academic work - scientific publications)
- Copies of the original Bachelor and Master’s degree diploma, and transcripts of records
- Documentation of English proficiency
- List of publications and academic work that the applicant wishes to be considered by the evaluation committee
- Names and contact details of 2-3 references (name, 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).

Applicants may be called in for an interview.

Formal regulations

Please see the guidelines and regulations for appointments to Research Fellowships at the University of Oslo.

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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 University of Oslo has an agreement for all employees, aiming to secure rights to research results etc.

The University of Oslo aims to achieve a balanced gender composition in the workforce and to recruit people with ethnic minority backgrounds.

Contact information

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For questions regarding the recruitment system, please contact HR Adviser Torunn Stündal Guttormsen, phone:+47 22854272, e-mail: t.s.guttormsen@mn.uio.no

About the University of Oslo

The University of Oslo is Norway’s oldest and highest rated institution of research and education with 28 000 students and 7000 employees. Its broad range of academic disciplines and internationally esteemed research communities make UiO an important contributor to society.

The geosciences are the studies of the planet Earth and its comparative planetology; the atmosphere, the hydrosphere and cryosphere, the Earth's surface and its interior. The Department of Geosciences conducts research and teaching in most of the domains of geoscience; geology, geophysics, physical geography, geomatics, hydrology, meteorology and oceanography. The Department is the broadest geoscience research and education environment in Norway. The Department encompasses five sections; Meteorology and Oceanography, Geography and Hydrology, Geology and Geophysics, Physics of Geological Processes (Njord centre) and one Centre of Excellence CEED - Centre of Earth Evolution and Dynamics.

The Department aims to contribute to the new and important UN Sustainability Development Goals. The staff consists of 40 professors and associate professors, in addition to postdoctoral fellows, PhD students, researchers, technical- and administrative staff. Approximately number of employees are 240 at the Department.

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