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Doctoral Research Fellowship in Archaeology

Doctoral Research Fellowship in Archaeology at the University of Tromsø - the Arctic University of Norway

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One Doctoral Research Fellowship (PhD) within *Forager Dwellings and Demography* is available in the Department of History and Religious Studies at the Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences and Education at the University of Tromsø - The Arctic University of Norway (UiT). The position is affiliated with the research group [SARG](#) and the project *Stone Age Demographics: Multi-Scale Exploration of Population Variations and Dynamics*.

The appointment is a fixed term position for a period of four years.

The purpose of the PhD Research Fellowship is research training leading to the successful completion of a doctoral dissertation to be defended publically. The candidate will be affiliated with the Faculty's organised research training, and the academic work must result in a doctoral thesis aiming to obtain the degree of PhD within the period of employment. Admission to a PhD programme is a prerequisite for employment, and the programme period starts on commencement of the position.

The successful candidate must meet the requirements for admission to the Faculty's PhD program, cf. § 6 of UiT PhD regulations. Moreover, the applicant must prove English language proficiency equivalent to the standards of Norwegian Higher Education Entrance Qualification, see [PhD Regulations UiT](#).

For more information, see also uit.no/hsl/phd.

For further information about the position (and in particular more details on the project), please contact Professor Charlotte Damm, tel. +47 77644373, e-mail charlotte.damm@uit.no.

Affiliation

The Department of History and Religious Studies is one of five departments at the Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences and Education. The department has 24 permanent academic positions, of which 6 are in archaeology. The department currently has four PhD students and two postdoctors in archaeology, and two more PhD students in archaeology soon to come. The academic staff of the department teaches and supervises students in archaeology, history, religious studies and theology at all levels from bachelor to PhD. The department hosts 11 different research groups.

The research group [SARG](#) (Sub-Arctic Stone Age Research Group) provides a joint forum for researchers working on hunter-gatherer archaeology in northern Norway and adjacent areas. While the group deals with any issue pertaining to these societies, the main focus is on demographic fluctuations and settlement variability, regional and inter-regional mobility and cultural transmission and social networks. SARG organises both local seminars and international workshops regularly. SARG also hosts research projects, including *Stone Age Demographics: Multi-scale Exploration of Population Variations and Dynamics* funded by the Research Council of Norway. The group includes eight local researchers and two PhDs as well as several external associates.

The appointed Doctoral Research Fellowship must have her/his daily workplace at the UiT, campus Tromsø.

The position's field of research/research project (and other duties)

The project *Stone Age Demographics: Multi-scale Exploration of Population Variations and Dynamics* aims to produce a set of demographic models for long-term population fluctuations, regional settlement variation and local site use, based on archaeological data from prehistoric foragers in Northern Norway. It analyses the relations between demography and environmental and socio-cultural transformations by addressing questions such as: how does population size and distribution correlate with climatic and environmental change, does settlement size and distribution have effects on the sustainability of cultural practices and technologies, and how does demography affect the structure of social networks?

This position in *Forager Dwellings and Demography* complements the project with a study of forager dwellings from one or more areas in the circumpolar region. It is a requirement that these areas are situated outside of Norway (e.g. in north America, Greenland, other parts of northern Fennoscandia, Russia, northern Asia including Japan) in order to provide a circumpolar comparative perspective. The study may focus on dwellings and demographic variation on a

local, regional or supra-regional level, employing archaeological, but possibly also ethnographic or historical data. Through analyses of dwellings and selected demographic elements (e.g. population size and density; settlement organization and mobility patterns; dwelling types, household composition and activities) the study will contribute to the discussion on comparative demographic models for the circumpolar region in diverse climatic, economic and socio-cultural conditions.

A 6-12 months stay at a university abroad is encouraged.

Qualification requirements

The position requires a Master's degree (or equivalent) in archaeology or a related discipline, or a foreign degree recognised as equivalent to a Norwegian Master's degree.

For more information, see also: [Supplementary regulations HSL](#).

In addition, he/she must be able to document proficiency in English equivalent to Norwegian Higher Education Entrance Qualification as described in the [PhD regulations at UiT](#).

Personal suitability will be taken into account.

Working conditions

The normal period of employment is four years. The nominal length of the PhD programme is three years. The fourth year, distributed as 25 % of each year, is reserved for teaching or other academic duties within the university. Please consult [PhD Regulations UiT](#) for further information. The position will especially be assigned teaching duties within (field of study).

A shorter period of appointment may be decided upon if the applicant has already completed parts of his/her research training programme or if the appointment is based on a previous qualifying position (PhD Candidate, research assistant, or the like) in such a way that the research training amounts to a total of three years.

Remuneration for the position of PhD Candidate is in accordance with the State salary scale code 1017. A compulsory contribution of 2 % to the Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund will be deducted.

Application

The **application** must be submitted electronically via the application form available on www.jobbnorge.no.

Applications by e-mail are not accepted.

The application must include the following attachments:

- letter of application
- project description. Please see further information concerning the template for [project description](#)
- CV (containing a complete overview of education, supervised professional training and professional work)
- diploma and transcript of records from Bachelor's degree or equivalent
- diploma and transcript of records from Master's degree or equivalent
- diploma supplement for other completed degrees
- documentation of english language proficiency
- list of 2-3 academic references, including contact details (name, relation to applicant, e-mail address and phone number)
- Master's Thesis
- other works (published or unpublished) which the applicant wishes to be taken into consideration during the assessment process and a description of these.

The list of works should contain the following information:

- author(s), title of work
- for articles: the name of the journal and volume, first and last page of the article, year of publication
- for book or other independent publications: publisher, place of print, year of publication, number of pages

All documentation must be certified and translated into English or a Scandinavian language in order to be assessed.

Information and material to be considered during the assessment must be submitted within the stipulated deadline.

Assessment

The applicants will be assessed by an expert committee. During this assessment process, emphasis will be attached to the applicant's potential for research as shown by:

- Master' thesis or equivalent
- other academic work, and
- project description

In addition, consideration may be given to work experience or other activities of significance for the implementation of the PhD research. This includes teaching education, teaching experience, experience from popularisation and experience/education from other types of dissemination.

The best qualified applicants will be selected for interviews. The interview shall among other things aim to clarify the applicant's personal suitability for the position.

Other information

More information can be found in the [supplementary regulations concerning terms and conditions of employment for the position of postdoctor, research fellow and research assistant at UiT](#)

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Questions concerning the organisation of the working environment, such as the physical state of the place of employment, health service, possibility for flexible working hours, part time, etc. as well as questions about the PhD programme may be directed to the telephone reference in this announcement.

UiT's HR policy objectives emphasises diversity, and encourages all qualified applicants to apply regardless of gender, functional ability and national or ethnic background.

UiT is an IW (Inclusive Workplace) enterprise, and will make the necessary adaptations in order to facilitate for employees with reduced functional ability.

Personal data given in an application or CV will be processed in accordance with the Act relating to the processing of personal data (the Personal Data Act). In accordance with Section 25 subsection 2 of the Freedom of Information Act, the applicant may request not to be registered on the public list of applicants. However, the University may nevertheless decide to publish the applicant's name. The applicant will receive advance notification in the event of such publication.

In case of discrepancies between the Norwegian and the English version of this description, the Norwegian version takes precedence.

Tilleggsinformasjon

Arbeidssted: