



Post-doctoral Research Fellowship in philosophy

One Post-doctoral Research Fellowship within philosophy is available at the Department of Philosophy affiliated to the Centre for Sustainable Energy.

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

The Post-doctoral Research Fellowship aims to qualify the researcher for work in senior academic positions. A candidate may not be appointed to more than one fixed term position as a Post-doctoral Research Fellow at the same institution.

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Arctic Centre for Sustainable Energy (ARC)

UiT the Arctic University of Norway (UiT) established the Arctic Centre for Sustainable Energy (ARC) in 2016. This is an interdisciplinary centre focusing on arctic challenges and conditions within renewable energy and greenhouse gas management. The centre will combine expertise in physics, humanities, chemistry, social sciences, applied mathematics, marine biology, computer science and electrical engineering. The initiative will permeate the university in its entirety and will strengthen existing research activities at UiT within the scope of the centre. The centre is a 110 MNOK initiative by UiT, which will finance eight new professors within renewable energy and greenhouse gas management. Each new professor will receive one PhD student and/or one Post Doctoral position at his/her disposal as part of a start-up package. The applicant should value working in an interdisciplinary environment. In addition to the UiT initiative the Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences and Education decided to contribute to two more positions.

The centre's main objectives are:

- interdisciplinary R&D excellence within renewable energy and CO₂ management in order to create sustainable societies in the Arctic
- to create an internationally competitive and outstanding environment that is an attractive R&D partner for the commercial and public sectors
- to ensure that graduates receive high quality education and expertise within renewable energy and CO₂ management that is relevant for the business and public sector in the north

For more information:

https://en.uit.no/forskning/forskningsgrupper/gruppe?p_document_id=453700

The Department of Philosophy, Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences and Education

The Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences and Education (HSL) has five departments and four centres. The faculty has about 3600 students and approximately 450 academic and 140 administrative staff members. The faculty is engaged in research, teaching and outreach activities in a variety of disciplines within the humanities and social sciences. It plays a leading role in several disciplines within the humanities and social sciences in Norway and the Northern region. Much of the teaching is unique in a Northern Norwegian context. In addition, HSL is responsible for the University's overall teacher training portfolio.

The Department of Philosophy offers obligatory introduction courses in philosophy for all the students at UiT ("Examen Philosophicum" and "Examen Facultatum") as well as bachelor, master, and PhD programs in philosophy. The Department of Philosophy has 29 faculty members, included PhD students and Post-doctoral fellows and is served by four administrative positions.

The research and teaching at the Department is spread across the various fields of philosophy, such as history of philosophy, ethics, political philosophy, social philosophy, logic, and philosophy of science. The Department's main field of research activity concerns issues of practical philosophy. The Department has three research groups, The Environmental Philosophy Research Group (EPG), The Ethics Research Group (ERG), and The Pluralism, Democracy and Justice research group (PDJ).

For further information about the research groups and their activities, see [Environmental Philosophy Research Group \(EPG\)](#) and [Ethics Research Group \(ERG\)](#) and [Pluralism, Democracy, and Justice \(PDJ\)](#).

Information is also available at the department's website: http://uit.no/om/enhet/forsiden?p_dimension_id=88151.

The position's research areas

The aim of the position is to develop research and teaching within the research areas of climate change, renewable energy and greenhouse gases in philosophy. The person holding the position should be an experienced researcher and should have practice from interdisciplinary work. He/she is also expected to actively apply for external research funding.

Relevant research topics for the position include:

- How conceptions of justice are being challenged by global climate change. Examples: Justice for future generations, just distribution of the burdens of climate mitigation efforts, responsibility for global adaption to climate change (like development and implementation of green technology), responsibility to limit emissions by preserving natural and human-made carbon storage systems, and use of economic incitements to develop co-benefit solutions , and energy justice regarding the distribution, transfer and sustainable implementation of renewable energy.
- Questions within environmental philosophy, related to how implementation of climate-friendly technology comes into conflict with established interests and territorial rights or resources, for example natural resources or self-determination within a given territory.
- Democratic challenges related to the divide between democratic discourses and expert-driven discourses, the role that different publics (lay people, consumers, stakeholders and activists) can - and should - play in the innovation and implementation of new technology and legitimation of attempts to implement climate politics, or to questions about unburnable fossil fuels, "stranded assets" and the global carbon budget.

The successful candidate will be part of the Arctic Centre for Sustainable Energy (ARC), and is also expected to be part of the The Environmental Philosophy Research Group (EPG) at the Department of Philosophy. The appointed Post-doctoral Research Fellow must have her/his daily workplace at UiT.

Qualification requirements

For appointment as Post-doctoral Research Fellow, the applicant requires:

- A Norwegian PhD or international equivalent to a Norwegian PhD within philosophy or in a neighboring field.
- The applicant must provide a project proposal with a progress plan encompassing the main activities of the center. It is a prerequisite that the applicant will be able to complete the project within the period of employment.
- In the assessment the main emphasis will be attached to the submitted works and the project proposal for the qualifying work. Emphasis will also be attached to experience from popularization/dissemination and academic policy and administrative activity.
- The successful applicant should be proficient in written and spoken English or in a Scandinavian language.
- Personal suitability will be emphasized.

Working conditions

The working hours are reserved for research, research related activities and research administration.

The successful candidate must be willing to engage him/herself in the ongoing development of his/hers discipline and the university as a whole.

The remuneration for this position is in accordance with the State salary scale code 1352.
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 and shall include:

- letter of application
- project description
- CV (containing a complete overview of education, supervised professional training and professional work)
- diplomas and references
- documentation of teaching qualifications
- list of works and description of these
 - the list of works shall contain the following information:
 - author(s), the work's title
 - for articles: the journal's name and volume, the first and last page of the article, year of publication
 - for publications: publisher, printer, year of publication, number of pages
 - up to ten works that are central to the applicant's academic production. The applicant's PhD thesis should be submitted as one of these works.

Additionally, the applicant should provide a description of his/her academic production, indicating which works are the most relevant in relation to the announced position, and therefore should be emphasized in the assessment. The remaining listed works should be described briefly in order to demonstrate the depth of the production. The descriptions should be attached to the application.

Assessment

The applicants will be assessed by an expert committee. It is the committee's mandate to assess the applicants' qualifications based on their submitted works and the job announcement.

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. The applicants may be required to give a trial lecture.

Other information

UiT wishes to increase the proportion of women in research positions.

In the event that two or more applicants are found to be approximately equally qualified, female applicants will be given priority.

For further information, applicants should consult the [supplementary regulations for appointment to postdoktor \(postdoctoral Research Fellow\), stipendiat \(PhD\) and vitenskapelige assistent \(Research Assistant\) positions at the UiT](http://www.uhr.no/documents/Regulations_Post_doctoral_and_research_fellow.pdf) and the http://www.uhr.no/documents/Regulations_Post_doctoral_and_research_fellow.pdf

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. 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 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.

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