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Saksbehandler:	Brita Langeid

Forslag til kunngjøring av en stilling som postdoktor (SKO1352) for fire år tilknyttet det eksternt finansierte NFR-prosjektet HOWFER ved Økonomisk institutt

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Bakgrunn for saken:
Det vises til vedtakssak 5 i styremøtet 6. oktober i år: Protokoll fra møte 6. oktober 2026 - Økonomisk institutt (ØI)
En kunngjøringstekst for en postdoktorstilling tilknyttet NFR-prosjektet HOWFER ble vedtatt kunngjort internasjonalt på EconJobMarket (EJM).

Stillingen skal i tillegg annonseres via JobbNorge. Vedlagt følger forslag til utlysningstekst.

Forslag til vedtak:

Instituttstyret godkjenner vedlagte forslag til kunngjøringstekst for en postdoktorstilling (SKO 1352) for 4 år, og lyser ut stillingen i JobbNorge.
Stillingen er tilknyttet Martin Blomhoff Holm sitt NFR-prosjekt, HOWFER, og de tre første år finansieres av prosjektet. Det siste året finansieres av instituttets basismidler.

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Postdoctoral Research Fellow in Economics (Macroeconomics, Household Finance, or Family and Demographic Economics)

Job description

The Department of Economics invites applicants for a position as Postdoctoral Research Fellow (SKO1352) in one of the following fields: Macroeconomics, Household Finance, or Family and Demographic Economics.

This is a full-time, four-year position, with 25% of working time devoted to teaching. The anticipated start date is August 1, 2027.

More about the position

The Department of Economics seeks a new colleague with the potential for outstanding research and high-quality teaching.

Candidates must provide evidence of excellence in research of the highest international caliber in macroeconomics, household finance, or family and demographic economics. This can be demonstrated by an innovative job market paper with a significant contribution to the literature, high-quality working papers, (forthcoming) publications in top-ranked and field-relevant journals, strong recommendations by referees who themselves have a record of excellence in research of the highest international caliber, the submitted research statement, presentations at significant conferences, and awards and accolades.

It is expected that the successful candidate contributes to a high standard of collegiality and the department's working environment.

About the project

The postdoctoral position is financed by the research project HOWFER (Housing, Wealth, and Fertility in High-income Societies), led by Associate Professor Martin Blomhoff Holm. The project combines macroeconomics, household finance, and family economics to analyze how rising house prices and wealth concentration have contributed to falling fertility in high-income countries. Using Norwegian administrative data linking wealth, housing, and family formation for the entire population, the work will estimate the causal effect of house prices on fertility and build structural models to evaluate which policies most effectively affect fertility. The postdoctoral researcher will contribute both to the empirical and theoretical parts of the project, in collaboration with the core research team.

Candidates should articulate how they can contribute to and strengthen the project.

Requirements

- A PhD degree in Economics by the time of appointment, or shortly thereafter, and no later than September 30, 2027.
- A strong research profile in Macroeconomics, Household Finance, or Family and Demographic Economics that complements that of the department and the research project.
- Qualifications that are compatible with the department's teaching obligations and study programmes.
- Candidates must have fluent written and oral communication skills in English.
- Residence in or close to Oslo is required, and presence on campus is expected.

Diversity and gender equality

The University of Oslo aims to achieve a balanced gender composition in the workforce. Women are encouraged to apply. Furthermore, we welcome employees with diverse professional expertise, life experience and perspectives.

We offer

- Salary NOK 750 000 - 800 000 per annum, depending on qualifications, in position as Postdoctoral Research Fellow (position code 1352).
- A stimulating and international research environment with multiple research groups and seminar series.
- A friendly and inclusive workplace allowing for a good work-life balance.
- Access to Norway's excellent public services and welfare schemes, including generous parental leave provisions and affordable and accessible childcare (including the university's kindergartens).
- Norway's capital, with its rich cultural life and easy access to beautiful nature.
- Practical support for international staff moving to Norway (international staff may also benefit from tax cuts in their first years).

Application

Your application should include:

- Cover letter (statement of motivation, summarizing scientific work and research interests, and how the candidate can contribute to and strengthen the HOWFER project).
- CV (summarizing education, positions, pedagogical experience, administrative experience and other qualifying activity).
- Job market paper (clearly labeled).
- Other working papers or publications.
- Copies of PhD Diploma and educational certificates (academic transcripts only).
- Letters of Recommendation (optional).
- List of reference persons: 2-3 references (name, relation to candidate, e-mail and phone number).

The application with attachments must be submitted in our electronic recruiting system. Please follow the link "apply for this job". Please note that all documents must be in English or a Scandinavian language, or with a certified translation.

An interview will be part of the hiring process.

Application deadline: February 1, 2027.

General information

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.

No one can be appointed for more than one Postdoctoral Research Fellow period at the University of Oslo.

- Guidelines for appointments to Postdoctoral Research Fellowships at the University of Oslo
- Regulations for the terms of employment for Postdoctoral Research Fellows at the University of Oslo

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About the University of Oslo and The Department of Economics

The University of Oslo (UiO) is Norway's oldest and highest-ranked educational and research institution, with 28 000 students and 7 000 employees. With its broad range of academic disciplines and internationally recognised research communities, UiO is a significant contributor to society.

The Department of Economics is the highest-ranked department for economic research in Norway and in the top group in the Nordic countries. The Department offers Bachelor's and Master's programmes, as well as a doctoral programme with approximately 20 students. The department has attracted a number of ERC grants, and it hosts both a centre for public economics, Norwegian Fiscal Studies (NFS), and a centre for international economics, the Norwegian Centre for International Economics (NORCIE).