

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Social Anthropology

PhD Research Fellowships in Social Anthropology

Job Description

The Department of Social Anthropology invites candidates to apply for up to 4 Ph.D. Research Fellowships, with a potential starting date in August 2015.

The Department wishes to recruit up to four 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 the core areas can be found on the Department's website <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. Each position is for four years and will include 25% teaching, supervision and examination.

Requirements

Applicants must have at least five years higher education including a two-year master's degree or equivalent in social anthropology. The successful candidates must participate in the research training organised by the Faculty of Social Sciences (the PhD programme) and undertake research that will lead to the award of a PhD in social anthropology. Applicants are referred to the *Guidelines for appointment as a PhD candidate at a university or university college*. The candidates who are offered employment will automatically be accepted for the PhD programme.

Applicants must have good spoken and written command of a Scandinavian language and/or English.

Applicants must provide a detailed project description outlining the work to be undertaken for their proposed project (recommended total length, including the list of references: 7-10 pages; 10 pages is an absolute maximum). The project description must include the theme of the project, issues to be examined, the chosen theoretical and methodological approach and a progress plan. The successful candidates are expected to complete their projects before expiry of the PhD position.

We offer

- Pay grade 50 - 57 (NOK 429 700 - 482 800 per annum)
- Academically stimulating working environment
- Good pension benefits under the Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund scheme, and
- [good welfare benefits](#)

Evaluation of the application

When evaluating the application, emphasis will be given to the project description, as well as 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.

The application must include:

- Application letter
- 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)
- CV (complete list of education, positions, pedagogical experience, administrative experience and other qualifying activities)
- A complete list of publications
- Names and contact details of 3 persons for references

Note! Actual academic works should not be included at this time. After the first stage of the review process an expert committee will invite the most appropriate candidates to submit up to three academic works that the applicant wishes to have considered in the assessment process.

Copies of educational certificates and letters of recommendation may be required from the shortlisted candidates, but should not be included in the application. International applicants must attach an explanation of their University's grading system. Please remember that all documents should be in English or a Scandinavian language.

Please also refer to the [regulations pertaining to the conditions of employment for research fellowship positions](#).

The University of Oslo has an [Acquisition of Rights Agreement](#) for all employees for the purpose of securing intellectual property rights to research results etc.

According to the Norwegian Law "Offentlighetsloven §25.2 ledd", information about the applicant can be published although the applicant has requested not to be included in the public list of applicants.

The University of Oslo aims to achieve a balanced gender representation in the workforce and to recruit individuals with immigrant backgrounds.