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# Kunngjøring av postdoktorstilling (SKO1352) i sosiologi i tre år (eksternfinansiert)

# Henvisning til lov- og regelverk

Forskrift om ansettelsesvilkår for stillinger som postdoktor, stipendiat, vitenskapelig assistent og spesialistkandidat. Personalreglementet ved UiO.

## Bakgrunn for saken

Stillingen er finansiert av professor Marianne Nordli Hansens NFR-finansiert "Paradoxes of wealth and class: historical conditions and contemporary configurations."

Stillingen lyses ut som treårig stilling uten pliktarbeid.

## Forslag til vedtak:

Styret ved Institutt for sosiologi og samfunnsgeografi godkjenner kunngjøringsteksten og vedtar å kunngjøre en postdoktorstilling (SKO 1352) i sosiologi for 3 år.

Kunngjøringen gjelder under forutsetning av ekstern finansiering.

Katrine Fangen Inger-Lise Schwab instituttleder kontorsjef

Vedlegg: Kunngjøringstekst



## Postdoctoral Fellow in Sociology or equivalent

There is a vacant position at the Department of Sociology and Human Geography for a Postdoctoral Fellow (SKO 1352) in Sociology. The position is for a period of three years.

The position is associated with a research project called "Paradoxes of wealth and class: historical conditions and contemporary configurations" (LENKE) funded by the Norwegian Research Council. The project raises questions such as: Why is wealth inequality so pronounced in a society that in many respects is comparatively egalitarian? How should one explain such paradoxical features, and what do they mean for the understanding of Scandinavian egalitarianism? Are these paradoxes relatively new, or do today's rich families maintain family dynasties that have persisted over generations? Are dynastic tendencies also found in families with top-level positions in other sectors, such as in the cultural sector, the professions, among civil servants, and in the academic world? To what extent does marriage between people from similar social milieus contribute to accumulation of resources over time?

The project involves working with a combination of historical and more recent datasets: older censuses and other historical sources, newer administrative population data, as well as a number of data sources on prominent people in various sectors.

The successful candidate will contribute to at least two of the project's work packages: WP 1 Social mobility and class structure, WP II Accumulation of wealth and wealth transfers and/or Work Package IV Social closure through marriage in a historical perspective.

The Postdoctoral fellow will be part of a research group on stratification and inequality lead by Professor Marianne Nordli Hansen at the Department of Sociology and Human Geography.

## Qualification requirements and personal skills

- Applicants must hold a degree equivalent to a Norwegian doctoral degree in Sociology. The doctoral dissertation must be submitted for evaluation by the closing application date. Appointment is dependent on the public defense of the doctoral thesis being approved.
- Applicants must have the capacity for independent academic research at a high level, preferably documented through publications in international journals.
- Applicants must have thorough knowledge about the theoretical literature on social stratification and mobility.
- Applicants must have experience with working with large datasets, such as censuses or administrative registers.
- Applicants must have advanced knowledge of relevant research methods, such as panel data methods, social network analysis, and sequence analysis.

Residence in Norway is expected, but Postdoctoral fellows are also encouraged to spend time abroad during the fellowship period.

#### We offer

- salary NOK XXX-XXX per annum depending on qualifications
- a professionally stimulating working environment
- Attractive welfare benefits and a generous pension agreement, in addition to Oslo's familyfriendly environment with its rich opportunities for culture and outdoor activities

#### How to apply

The application must include

- Application letter. Please describe your motivation for applying for this position and explain how your background, research and experience is relevant to the research project.
- CV summarizing education, positions, research experience, and other qualifying activity
- A complete list of publications
- Copies of educational certificates (academic transcripts only)
- Up to five academic works that the applicant wishes to have considered in the assessment process (a doctoral dissertation or a monograph will count as three publications).

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).

In assessing applications, particular emphasis will be placed upon the academic and personal capacity of the candidate to contribute to the project within the given timeframe, to interact within national and international networks, and to be part of a dynamic research group. Interviews with the best qualified candidates will be arranged. It is expected that the successful candidate will be able to complete the project in the course of the period of employment.

#### Formal regulations

Please see the guidelines and regulations for appointments to Postdoctoral fellowships at the University of Oslo.

No one can be appointed for more than one specified period at the same institution. According to the Norwegian Freedom and 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 a.o.

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

Deadline: 15 June 2018

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