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Kunngjøring av 4-5 stillinger som stipendiat (SKO1017) ved Økonomisk institutt

Henvisning til lov- og regelverk

Forskrift om ansettelsesvilkår for stillinger som postdoktor, stipendiat, vitenskapelig assistent og spesialistkandidat

Retningslinjer for ansettelse i postdoktor- og stipendiatstillinger ved UiO Personalreglement ved UiO

Bakgrunn for saken:

Økonomisk institutt skal utlyse stipendiatstillinger for 2023 med søknadsfrist 15.01.2023. Søknadsfristen for opptak til PhD-programmet (for søkere med ekstern finansiering) er også satt til 15.01.2023, slik at det tidligere kan foretas en samordning av opptak til PhD-programmet og ansettelse i stipendiatstillinger.

En stilling er knyttet til prosjektet «NIMICAR project on International Cooperation on Climate Change and the Avoidance of Global Risks», ledet av professor Christian Traeger og finansiert av Norges Forskningsråd.

En stilling er knyttet til prosjektet «Labour market institutions, technological change and inequality», ledet av postdoktor Ragnhild C. Schreiner og finansiert av Norges Forskningsråd. De siste 2-3 stillinger er ikke knyttet til et spesifikt prosjekt eller fagområde, og disse stillingene vil bli finansiert av instituttet.

Instituttets måltall for stipendiatstillinger er 12. I instituttets langtidsprognose er det lagt inn 3 nye stipendiatstillinger per år i perioden 2021-2024, slik at instituttet overholder måltallet på stipendiatstillinger.

Vedlagt følger forslag til kunngjøringstekst for stillingene.

Forslag til vedtak:

Instituttstyret godkjenner forslaget til kunngjøring av stipendiatstillinger og lyser ut stillingene med søknadsfrist 15.01.2023.

Vedlegg: Forslag til kunngjøringstekst



PhD Research Fellowships in Economics

Job description

4-5 PhD Research Fellow positions (SKO 1017) for the PhD programme are available at the Department of Economics.

The appointments are for a period of 4 years with 25% teaching and administrative duties. PhD Research Fellows will automatically be admitted to the Faculty of Social Sciences' PhD programme and benefit from the Faculty's organized research training.

About the positions

Two-three positions are not linked to specific topics or research projects. Applications from candidates in all fields of economics are encouraged and in particular in fields where the Department has a strong research base and supervision capacity.

Positions with external funding

One position is associated with the NIMICAR project on International Cooperation on Climate Change and the Avoidance of Global Risks, headed by Professor Christian Traeger. The research project requires background and interest in a subset of the following topics:

- Climate Change Economics
- Dynamic Modeling
- Risk and Uncertainty Modeling
- Game Theory
- Programming, e.g., Matlab, Python, or Julia

The project will also relate to International Macroeconomics and Macrofinance and a strong background in mathematics or Applied Econometrics will be useful. For this fellowship, please provide your application material in English. Please contact christian.traeger@econ.uio.no for further questions.

One position will be associated with the project "Labour market institutions, technological change and inequality", funded by the Research Council of Norway and led by principal investigator, Assistant Professor Ragnhild Schreiner. The project aims to assess whether changes in labour market institutions accelerate or slow down innovation and technological change at the firm level. Furthermore, project aims to better understand how innovations and technology adoptions at the firm-level contribute to exacerbating labour market inequality. The project will study inequality both within and across groups of workers of similar levels of education (skills), as well as across workers of different gender.

There is a long tradition at the University of Oslo of studying key aspects of the Nordic institutions, including unions, wage distributions, inequality and firm behaviour. Armed with unusually rich administrative data, this project aims to forge the advances in understanding from this tradition, with the new focus in the field of economics on careful modelling of firm-level decisions, empirical methods and identification of causal effects. For this position we are looking for a candidate with a strong analytical background and econometric skills, and a sincere interest in the topic of the project.

Qualification requirements

Proven academic record: The PhD candidate must hold a 2-year Master's degree (including master's dissertation) or an equivalent qualification in economics. Candidates completing their Master's degrees (or equivalent) in the spring semester 2023 before August 1, 2023, may apply.

Candidates who have already completed economics courses at the postgraduate level in econometrics, microeconomics and/or macroeconomics will have a distinct advantage in the ranking of candidates, but strong candidates who lack this background can also be accepted and will be required to take such courses as part of the PhD programme. Candidates with a degree from another institution than the University of Oslo will need to document qualifications based on detailed course descriptions and syllabuses.

Candidates who have completed a PhD program in Economics, will not be accepted.

Candidates who have already been accepted to a PhD program in Economics must inform about this.

GRE test: For candidates with education from an institution outside the European Economic Area/the European Union or Switzerland a recent score from the general GRE test is required as part of the documentation of qualifications. Please add UiO as a recipient of your GRE test using our institutional code 0756. In addition, you must scan and upload a copy of your test result to the application portal. The Department of Economics does not accept the GMAT tests to substitute the GRE.

Proof of proficiency in English: A good command of English is required of all applicants. International students must document their proficiency in English by taking either TOEFL- or IELTS-test. For information about score requirements, see Requirements for admission to the PhD programme in Economics

For further information, please visit the Faculty of Social Sciences' homepage for the PhD programme: Applying for a PhD

fellowship at the Faculty of Social Sciences

The fellowship is scheduled to start in August of 2023.

We offer

- Salary NOK XXX per annum depending on qualifications
- A comprehensive course curriculum
- Supervision by one or two academic supervisors
- Academically stimulating working environment
- Favourable pension benefits
- Attractive employee benefits (e.g., parental leave)
- Fellows will be provided with their own office space and will have access to all the facilities of the department

Evaluation of the application

We seek highly motivated candidates with an excellent background in economics. When evaluating the application, emphasis will be given to the applicant's proven academic record, the project proposal and the applicant's academic and personal prerequisites to carry out the project.

Emphasis will moreover be placed on how the project fits the research strategy of the Department of Economics and supervision capacity. For further information, please see detailed <u>guidelines for the project proposal</u>. Applicants may be invited to an interview.

The application must include

- Application letter
- Project proposal of 5-10 pages
- CV (summarizing education, positions and academic work)
- Copies of (both) transcripts and diplomas, and letters of recommendation (if any)
- List of relevant publications and other academic work
- Research papers, including master's dissertation. Where research work is co-authored, the contribution of the candidate should be indicated
- Letters of recommendation may be included in the application but are not required

Important documents in other languages than English or Scandinavian must be translated into one of these languages. Applications without sufficient documentation will not be considered.

Application deadline: 15 January 2023

Formal regulations

Please see the guidelines and regulations for appointments to Research Fellowships at the University of Oslo.

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 etc.

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

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