

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

Job description

A Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (SKO 1352) is available at the Department of Archeology, Conservation and History, University of Oslo.

The position is associated with [NORCLI \(Nordic Climate History. Using the past to envision the future\)](#). The candidate is expected to present a research project closely connected to the main project.

NORCLI is an interdisciplinary project jointly run by the Department of Archaeology, Conservation and History (Prof. Dominik Collet) and Department of Geosciences in Meteorology (Prof. Kirstin Krüger) and is financed by UiO: Energy and Environment. It investigates what happened when Nordic societies faced abrupt climate change in the past 1000 years, aiming to contribute to and broaden contemporary discussions. NORCLI progresses from reconnecting and integrating data from historical and natural archives as well as climate models to narrating the result to a wider societal audience. The project collaborates closely with several other current projects (CLIMCULT, NORLIA, VIKINGS, CLIMCRIS, Force-VOL) in the field of climate history.

The postdoctoral fellow is expected to pursue a research project within this framework. As the candidate will be working closely with the second NORCLI postdoc based in the climate sciences, we ask for potential areas of collaboration to be highlighted in the application. During the first year the position is connected to an international research group on Nordic Climate history at the Center for Advanced Study (CAS) in Oslo. Previous documented experience with the approaches of climate or environmental history, interdisciplinary designs and the historical archives on climate is appreciated. The prospective candidates are welcome to contact the NORCLI project leaders ahead of submission of the job application.

The position is available for a period of 2 years.

The successful candidate is expected to be based in Oslo during the project period, starting August 2024.

The main purpose of postdoctoral research fellowships is to qualify researchers for work in higher academic positions within their disciplines.

Requirements

- PhD or equivalent academic qualifications with a specialization in history, climate and environmental history or a related historical discipline
- The candidate's research project must be closely connected with the central objectives of the project
- Fluent oral and written communication skills in English and preferably a Scandinavian language
- Personal suitability and motivation for the position

The doctoral dissertation must be submitted for evaluation by the closing date. Appointment is dependent on the public defence of the doctoral thesis being approved.

In the evaluation of the applications, emphasis will be placed on:

- The research project's scientific merit, research-related relevance, and innovation
- The applicant's estimated academic and personal ability to carry out the project within the allotted time frame and to contribute to the main project
- The potential to integrate and develop interdisciplinary approaches and to work in multi-disciplinary teams
- Good co-operative skills, and the ability to successfully join in academic collaboration within and across disciplines

We offer

- Salary NOK XXX – XXX per annum depending on qualifications ([lønnsstrinn 59-67 LO/YS/UNIO](#))
- A professionally stimulating working environment
- Membership in the [Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund](#)
- [Attractive welfare benefits](#)

How to apply

The application must include:

- Application letter describing the applicant's qualifications and motivation for the position
- Curriculum Vitae with grades listed (with a list of education, positions, teaching experience, administrative experience and other qualifying activities)
- List of publications
- Project description (approx. 3 - 5 pages, maximum 14,000 characters. See [Template for project descriptions](#)). The project description must present a feasible progress plan. It should highlight potential areas of interdisciplinary cooperation with the corresponding postdoctoral fellowship in the climate sciences. It is expected that the applicant will be able to complete the project during the period of appointment

Please note that all documents must be in English or a Scandinavian language.

The application with attachments must be delivered in our electronic recruiting system, [jobbnoe.no](#). Applicants with education from a foreign university must attach an explanation of their university's grading system.

The short-listed candidates will be invited for an interview.

Formal regulations

See also [Regulations concerning Post-Doctoral Research Fellowships](#).

Following the Freedom of Information Act (Offentleglova) § 25, Chapter 2, information about the applicant may be used in the public list of applicants even if the applicant opts out from the entry in the public application list.

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

The University of Oslo has an [Acquisition of Rights Agreement](#) for the purpose of securing rights to intellectual property created by its employees, including research results.

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

Deadline: TBA

Contact persons:

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For questions about how to apply:

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