



Department of Musicology

Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship within music and nature

Job description

A Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (SKO 1352) is available at the [Department of Musicology \(IMV\)](#), University of Oslo.

The position will be affiliated with a new research initiative in the field of music and nature, currently under development.

More about the position

The Department of Musicology, University of Oslo, welcomes applications for a postdoctoral fellowship in the field of 'music and nature'. The topic for this post is broadly conceived and can be located in the intersection between music and one or more of the following themes: aesthetics and ethics, affect and embodiment, philosophy and historiography, politics and meaning. Candidates should seek to demonstrate the value of 'thinking through music' and engage with critical discourses arising from musical practice and reception. The post is open in terms of musical tradition or genre, time period, geographical area, and method.

Applications must include a project description closely connected to the field of research outlined above.

The position is available for a period of 4 years. There is a 25 % component of the position which is devoted to teaching and administrative duties. These duties include obtaining basic teaching qualifications.

The successful candidate is expected to become part of the research environment/network of the department and contribute to its development. The main purpose of postdoctoral research fellowships is to qualify researchers for work in higher academic positions within their disciplines.

The candidate will be mentored by Prof. Kyle Devine, Assoc. Prof. Peter Edwards, and Assoc. Prof. Nanette Nielsen.

Qualification requirements

- PhD or equivalent academic qualifications with a specialization in Musicology/Music Studies. Applicants with other relevant humanistic, cultural, or social research backgrounds may be considered. The doctoral dissertation must be submitted for evaluation by the closing date.
- The candidate's research project must be closely connected to field of research outlined above
- Fluent oral and written communication skills in English, fluency in a Scandinavian language can be considered an advantage.
- Personal suitability and motivation for the position.

In assessing the applications, special 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 contribute to the broadly defined research field mentioned above.
- Good co-operative skills, and the ability to successfully join in academic collaboration within and across disciplines

Appointment is dependent on the public defence of the doctoral thesis being approved.

We offer

- Salary NOK 544 400 - 626 300 per year, depending on qualifications
- A professionally stimulating working environment
- Attractive [welfare benefits](#)
- Membership in the [Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund](#)

How to apply

The application must include:

- Application letter describing the applicant's qualifications and motivation for the position.
- Curriculum Vitae (with a list of education, positions, teaching experience, administrative experience and other qualifying activities).
- List of publications.
- Project Description (approximately 3-5 pages, maximum 14,000 characters. See [Template for project descriptions](#)). The project description must present a feasible progress plan. It is expected that the applicant will be able to complete the project during the period of appointment.

Diplomas, certificates, doctoral thesis and other academic works may be requested later.

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, jobbnorge.no.

Short-listed candidates will be invited to 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.

Contact information

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For questions on how to apply:

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About the University of Oslo

The University of Oslo is Norway's oldest and highest ranked educational and research institution, with 28 000 students and 7000 employees. With its broad range of academic disciplines and internationally recognised research communities, UiO is an important contributor to society.

The Department of Musicology teaches musicology at all levels and participates in research within a number of different fields, with a particular focus on music history and aesthetics, popular music and cultural analysis, and music cognition and technology. The Department has approximately 50 employees, including PhD and postdoctoral students, and admits a total of 90 bachelor- and master students each autumn.

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