



University of Bergen

Department of Archaeology, History, Cultural Studies and Religion

The University of Bergen (UiB) is an internationally recognised research university with more than 14,000 students and close to 3,500 employees at six faculties. The university is located in the heart of Bergen. Our main contribution to society is excellent basic research and education across a wide range of disciplines.

Associate Professor in the Study of Religions with a specialization in Islam

The Department of Archaeology, History, Cultural Studies and Religion invites applications for a permanent position as associate professor (førsteamanuensis) in the Study of Religions.

The Study of Religions represents the historical and systematic study of religion as a cultural phenomenon. The perspective is cross-cultural and comparative, including both the history of religions as well as the systematic study of religion. The department offers teaching and research on a wide range of religions, with teaching and supervision offered at bachelor, master and PhD levels. There are currently 10 permanent academic positions in the Study of Religions at the department.

Qualification requirements

The position is based at the Study of Religions program, and applications will be evaluated with regard to applicants' contributions to this discipline. The successful applicant must have relevant research competence on the level of a Norwegian PhD within the Study of Religions/Religious Studies/History of Religions, with a special competence in Islam. In the evaluation of the candidates, a solid and broad competence in the Study of Religions will be considered an asset. The successful applicant should have research competence in at least one source language relevant for the study of Islam. In the evaluation, publications from the latest five years will be emphasized.

The position has teaching, research, dissemination and administrative components. The successful applicant will be expected to teach and supervise at all levels, not only on Islam but also on the systematic and comparative study of religion, including theory and methodology.

Personal aptitude will be of great importance. Emphasis will be put on the ability to work collaboratively, and on the applicant's research in progress and potential to strengthen the department's academic profile over the coming years. Experience in attracting external funding will also be given emphasis.

Basic pedagogical training is a requirement for the position. The successful applicant will be offered training if this requirement is not met prior to appointment.

Norwegian will normally be the language of administration and teaching. The successful applicant will be required to teach in Norwegian or another Scandinavian language within two years of being appointed. The university provides suitable courses for learning Norwegian.

The successful applicant will be expected to relocate to Bergen, to work and participate in the running of the department on a daily basis and to conform to the regulations that apply to the position.

We can offer

- Salary will be paid in accordance with pay level 60 (code 1011/frame 24) on the government salary scale (currently NOK 512.300 gross p.a.). From the gross wage a 2 % law-enforced membership in the State Pension Fund (Statens Pensjonskasse) is deducted. Further increase in salary will depend on seniority. Higher initial placement may be considered for a particularly well-qualified applicant.
- A good and professionally challenging working environment
- Enrolment in the Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund
- A position in an inclusive workplace (IA enterprise)
- Good welfare benefits

Contact information

Further information about the position can be obtained from the Head of Department, Professor Jan Heiret, by e-mail, jan.heiret@uib.no or telephone + 47 55 58 97 62, or from the co-ordinator of the Study of Religions program, Professor Istvan Keul, by e-mail istvan.keul@uib.no or telephone. +47 55 58 20 22.

How to apply for the job

Applications should be sent electronically via the link "APPLY FOR THIS JOB"/"SØK STILLINGEN".

The application must include:

1. Cover letter
2. CV
3. Scanned versions of original or certified copies of all academic diplomas and transcripts
4. Information about and documentation of pedagogical experience and qualifications
5. Information about and documentation of administrative experience and earlier work
6. A complete list of publications (may be attached)
7. Up to five publications (which may include dissertations, other monographs or articles) to be included in the assessment.
8. Name and contact information of three referees

The application and appendices with certified translations into English or a Scandinavian language must be uploaded at Jobbnorge.

The documents may be in Word or pdf-format. Publications that are not available electronically may be submitted in three - 3 - copies by mail to the Department at this address:

University of Bergen, AHKR, PO Box 7805, N-5020 Bergen, Norway.

Nominated candidates will be invited to an interview and asked to give a lecture.

Questions about the online application procedure may be sent by email to the Faculty of Humanities: fakadm@hf.uib.no.

Additional information

The state labour force shall reflect the diversity of Norwegian society to the greatest extent possible. Age and gender balance among employees is therefore an aim. Candidates with immigrant backgrounds and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Women are encouraged to apply. If several applicants have approximately equivalent qualifications, rules pertaining to moderate gender quotas will apply.

The University of Bergen applies the principle of public access to information when recruiting staff for academic positions.

Information about applicants may be made public even if the applicant has asked not to be named on the list of persons who have applied. The applicant must be notified if the request to be omitted is not met.

For further information about the recruitment process, click [here](#)

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