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Lund University is one of Europe's leading universities, combining centuries of tradition with dynamic development and cutting edge competence. Areas of education and research include technology, science, law, social sciences, economics, medicine, humanities, theology and performing arts. The university has around 38 000 students and 5 300 employees. Lund University is an active member of the leading international networks League of European Research Universities (LERU) and Universitas 21, and is one of eleven academic institutions within the Øresund University. Lund University also collaborates with many other universities and research centres worldwide.

Lund University hereby declares the following vacancy at the Centre for East and South-East Asian Studies open for application

Postdoctoral fellowship for research focusing on any country or countries in East and South-East Asia, full time, two years duration.

Reference number: PA 2009/4366

Start of employment: 1 March 2010

The Centre for East and South-East Asian Studies at Lund University hereby invites applications for one postdoctoral fellowship. The Centre for East and South-East Asian Studies is focused upon research concerning contemporary East and South-East Asia, principally from social sciences, economics and humanities perspectives. Information regarding the Centre for East and South-East Asian Studies may be found at the Centre's website (<http://www.ace.lu.se>).

This call for applications is open to qualified candidates world-wide. Applications will be evaluated by an international expert committee, and thereafter the final decision as to the selection of candidates will be taken by the Board of Directors of the Centre for East and South-East Asian Studies at their meeting on 8th of February 2010.

Description

During their period of employment at the Centre, postdoctoral fellows are expected to engage in research, undertake teaching and tutoring assignments, and participate actively in the Centre's activities, such as seminars, conferences and guest-lectures.

Within one month of the commencement of employment, each postdoctoral fellow shall have submitted a research plan for the period of employment. Two months prior to the completion of the period of employment, each postdoctoral fellow shall submit a report (maximum length: five A-4 pages) regarding their research and other activities during their employment at the Centre.

In addition to research and other Centre-related activities, each postdoctoral fellow will be expected to undertake each year 100 qualified lecturing hours (the equivalent of 400 clock hours) of teaching and tutoring assignments within their position. In other words, during the two years of employment, each postdoctoral fellow will be expected to undertake a total of 200 qualified lecturing hours within their position. Postdoctoral fellows will be expected to teach and lead seminars in the international Masters Programme in Asian Studies given at the Centre. The language of instruction in the Masters Programme is English.

Each postdoctoral fellow, during their period of employment, is encouraged to develop and submit a research application to a Swedish, Nordic or European Union research funding agency.

Postdoctoral fellows shall during the period of their employment submit two shorter working papers, based upon their own independent, academic research (maximum length 25 pages), for publication in the Centre's Working Papers in Contemporary Asian Studies series.

Each postdoctoral fellow is permitted to participate in one conference per year of employment at the expense of the Centre (the only costs that will be covered by the Centre are: travel to and from the conference venue, conference fees, hotel costs and per diem during the conference, in accordance with current Lund University travel regulations), in the case that the postdoctoral fellow reads a paper at the conference, and that this presentation is included in the conference materials. Costs for participation in a conference must be reported in accordance with Lund University travel regulations.

Travel for research and visits to other localities for research purposes, other than the above-mentioned, is not usually funded by the Centre. Scholarships and other sources of financing are available at Lund University. It is the responsibility of each postdoctoral fellow to make such applications personally.

Postdoctoral fellows have the opportunity to propose the purchase of literature directly related to their topics of research. The maximum cost for such proposals is 10,000 SEK per year (ca. 1,100 euro) per postdoctoral fellow. Such literature once purchased belongs to the library of the Centre, and not personally to the postdoctoral fellows. In addition to this possibility, postdoctoral fellows are welcome to make suggestions to the staff of the Centre's library with regard to library acquisitions.

Qualifications

The position will be awarded for research focusing on any country or countries in East and South-East Asia. Applications from scholars working in any field of social sciences, economics, law or contemporary history, focusing on contemporary East and South-East Asia are welcome.

Only candidates who have taken their doctoral grade within the last five years, counting from the date of commencement of the postdoctoral fellowships, will be considered. In other words, applications from candidates who were awarded their doctoral grade prior to 1 March 2005 will not be considered by the committee.

Candidates who are not native English speakers or who did not write their doctoral thesis in English must submit proof of competence in English.

Terms of employment

Postdoctoral fellows have the right to paid vacation in accordance with Lund University's regulations. They are expected to make use of this right during their period of employment. Financial compensation will not be made in lieu of vacation.

Each postdoctoral fellow will be allocated an individual office. Postdoctoral fellows are expected to be present at the Centre during regular working hours, in the case that agreement has not been reached with regard to work-from-home, travel for research, participation in conferences or leave of absence for vacation, or on account of sickness.

Postdoctoral fellows have access to office equipment commensurate with their employment at the Centre, and administrative assistance within reasonable limits. Photocopying and/or postage/shipment of substantial quantities of printed matter is not permitted within the terms of employment. Such costs must be covered by the postdoctoral fellows personally.

Further information: Professor, Director Roger Greatrex, phone: +46 46 222 30 42, e-mail: Roger.Greatrex@ace.lu.se.

Lund University practices an individual wage policy. You are welcome to state your salary demands in your application.

Union representatives: Anneli Carlsson, SACO, phone: +46-46-222 93 64, Rita Nilsson, ST, phone: +46-46-222 93 62

Instructions

Candidates are expected in their applications to present a concise and clearly formulated research proposal (maximum eight A-4-pages) regarding research to be carried out during the postdoctoral fellowship. The research proposal should include a proposed work-plan for the two year period of the fellowship. The research proposal is the principal document for the application.

Research at the Centre for East and South-East Asian Studies is organized into four research clusters, namely (in alphabetical order) Asian Capitalism; Gender Studies; Law, Human Rights and Justice; and Religion and Society (please see the Centre's website for information regarding these research clusters). The principle task of the Centre is the advancement of research regarding East and South-East Asia. Consequently, each applicant should clearly present in their application how the research project proposed is linked to ongoing research in the field, and/or how the project will make a significant contribution to research on the region at the Centre. Applicants are encouraged to demonstrate clearly and in what ways their proposed research project will engage and interact with one (or more, where applicable) of the research clusters. Applicants who do not demonstrate in their application any proposed interaction with the existing research clusters will also be considered and may be selected for a fellowship.

In the curriculum vitae, candidates should mention teaching experience, specifying the number of hours taught, subject(s) taught, the academic level of the course(s) taught, seminars lead, etc. Teaching experience will be taken into consideration in the awarding of fellowships.

Application forms may be found on our website:
<http://www.ace.lu.se/Postdocs/info.html>

Send your application, quoting the reference number to registrator@lu.se, or to Lund University, Registrator, PO Box 117, 221 00 Lund, Sweden. Applications should be written in English. Research proposal and curriculum vitae should be submitted electronically as one single pdf-file titled "ACE postdoc + applicant's name". Also submit application form, doctoral grade certificate, an abstract of doctoral dissertation (maximum four A-4 pages) and two letters of recommendation (these may be sent separately).

The closing date for application is **January the 8th, 2010**.