University of Neuchâtel
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, SFM
Assistant Professor full time (100%) in

Migration Policy Analysis

The candidate should:

- Have a background in the area of migration and citizenship studies;
- Demonstrate an interest for social issues in a broad sense, and for issues related to migration and mobility in particular;
- Offer an empirical and quantitative research orientation and interests of analysis that are compatible with and complementary to the SFM and the NCCR professors at the University of Neuchâtel;
- Possible fields of specialization (indicative list): sociology of migration, politics of migration, political sociology, public policy analysis, public administration, ethnic studies, citizenship studies;
- Demonstrate an interest and a capacity for collaboration and interdisciplinary work, in particular within the “nccr – on the move” and the MAPS (Maison d’analyse des processus sociaux / Center for the Understanding of Social Processes);
- Practice a diversity of methodological approaches with a particular emphasis on quantitative and statistical methods.

The successful candidate will teach 4 hours in MA courses, which will be either lectures or seminars. She or he will also supervise students at MA level as well as PhD dissertations. The candidate’s research shall contribute to the University’s National Centre of Competence in Research (NCCR) “On the Move – The Migration-Mobility Nexus”.

The position is also open to non-French speaking applicants who could temporarily teach in English. Non-French speakers are expected to learn enough French to be able teach in French after a two-year period as well as to participate in the academic life of the University at large.

Starting date of position: 1st of February 2016 or upon agreement.

Requirements: The applicants must have a PhD in Sociology/Political Science/Migration Studies/Social Sciences and have a high-level publication list. They also should show excellent skills in teaching and be willing to actively participate in Faculty affairs.

Age: less than 40 years.

Duration: 4 years (+ 4 years, after performance evaluation)

Description of the position:

Teaching: four hours a week at the MA level in the field of Migration Studies

Supervision: Students’ supervision, including MA and PhD theses.

Research: The candidate should develop research in Migration Studies, participate actively in the research activities of the “nccr – on the move”, the Institute SFM and the MAPS (Center for the Understanding of Social Processes) and be active in national (doctoral schools in particular) and international research networks. She or he should demonstrate the ability to acquire research funding.
Administration: The candidate will actively take part and contribute to the scientific activities of the NCCR – “On The Move”, the further development of the NCCR, in particular with a view to submitting the upcoming proposal for Phase II.

Salary: legal.

Obligations: legal.

Application procedure: The job application should include: a) letter of motivation, detailed curriculum vitae describing teaching and research experiences, a publication list, a copy of the PhD and the highest diploma before it; b) a list of experts in the field with statement of their relation to the applicant; c) a statement of the scientific vision of the domain and the activities that the applicant wishes to develop as assistant professor. In addition, candidates are requested to submit three of their publications in pdf format, and candidates are requested to ask three experts to send their letter of recommendation directly to the president of the recruiting committee.

Applications should be uploaded as one single pdf including all the requested documents (in addition to the three publications) on the website www.unine.ch/candis (ref. FLSH-PolMigr) by August 22, 2015. The recommendation letters of the three experts should be sent by their authors directly to the president of the recruiting committee, Prof. Gianni D’Amato (gianni.damato@unine.ch), also by August 22, 2015.

The University of Neuchâtel is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Further information can be obtained on the web at www.nccr-onthemove.ch and http://www2.unine.ch/sfm/page-10693.html or from the president of the recruiting committee.