

The Norwegian School of Sport Sciences (NSSS) is a specialized university with a national responsibility to provide higher education, scientific research and communication in specialist areas of sport sciences and physical education. NSSS was established in 1968 and has today approximately 220 staff members and 1400 students. A wide range of national and international R&D activities are currently in progress in a number of sports and human movement fields. For more information on NSSS, visit www.nih.no

Professor/Associate Professor in Pedagogy and Outdoor Education; ‘*Friluftsliv*’

A permanent position is available as professor/associate professor at the Department of Physical Education within the field of pedagogy and outdoor education “*friluftsliv*” as soon as possible. In addition to teaching, the professor/ associate professor will have a particular responsibility for strengthening research in pedagogy and outdoor education (*friluftsliv*). An applicant is therefore required to have an extensive knowledge and experience from his/her own research with focus on methodological, theoretical and practical issues in relation to outdoor education. Included in practical issues is competence in teaching and moving in outdoor contexts with different groups of people. The successful applicant will also be required to contribute within his/her specialist area in developing undergraduate studies in outdoor education, in developing the master programs and PhD-courses as well as international studies. Supervision of master and doctoral students is an important part of the responsibilities.

The Department of Physical Education

Within the field of outdoor education, the department currently has one part-time professor, one associate professor, five PhD–students, and one university lecturer. The Department of Physical Education is in the process of developing research priorities and has a strong focus on pedagogy as relational and critical practice, practical and contextual learning, as well as pedagogical theory. Within outdoor education the department is responsible for three study programs: A one-year study program in “*friluftsliv*”, two part-time study programs, one Master-module of 20 ECTS, and several 5 ECTS topics directed towards school and health.

The department intends to take a special responsibility within research that contributes to examining the context, meaning and effects of teaching and learning in Physical Education. The Department of Physical Education has the responsibility for teacher education in PE, practical/pedagogical education (PPU), outdoor education (*friluftsliv*) and adapted psychical activity (APA) at Bachelor, Master and PhD levels.

Qualifications and experience

A PhD and extensive research experience at an international level in Outdoor Education, Pedagogy, Physical Education, Cultural Studies, Anthropology or Sport Pedagogy is required. Applicants must be able to document university-level teaching and supervisory experience.

In rating qualified applicants, the following will be emphasized:

- Quality, relevance and scope of scientific work
- Documented knowledge of research methods and theories in Pedagogy, Cultural Studies or Anthropology
- Relevance and scope of teaching and supervisory experience MA and PhD students

- Other documented qualifications relevant to the position, for example, public communication skills
- Documented involvement in research into teaching and learning in Outdoor Education and/or Physical Education
- Experience from international collaborative projects
- Personal suitability

Other requirements

If the successful applicant is not a native Norwegian speaker, the person concerned is required, within three years, to demonstrate Norwegian language skills to the same standard as the level-3 course, "Norwegian as a second language", at the University of Oslo.

An on-site interview, a trial lecture and trial teaching in movement/sport practice will be arranged for the most highly-rated applicants.

Working conditions

Salary and other terms of employment are offered according to the Norwegian state pay scale, employment code 1013, Professor. The appointment will be made according to the terms that apply to civil servants. NSSS employees have obligatory membership in the State Pension Fund.

The successful applicant will be based at the NSSS.

The public workforce must reflect the diversity of the population to the greatest possible extent. Therefore, our personnel policy objective is to achieve a balanced age and gender mix, and to recruit persons with an international background. Women are encouraged to apply for the position.

Further information concerning the position can be obtained from:

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You may apply for the position on our website www.nih.no at the latest by 10th of February 2010.

Prior to the deadline applicants must send four copies of the following:

- A current curriculum vitae listing education, work experience and other information relevant to the position
- A list of publications and work in progress
- Reprints of the applicant's scientific publications (maximum 10)
- A description of potential projects of interest to the applicant (maximum 3)

Number the materials and arrange in four separate batches.

Please send the appendices to the following address:
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