

Titre: Graduate Assistant in Sustainability

Identifiant de demande 13925 - Publié 05/07/2018 - Assistant - Faculté des géosciences et de l'environnement - Temps partiel
(Enseignement; Recherche)

Introduction

The University of Lausanne is a higher teaching and research institution composed of seven faculties where approximately 15,000 students and nearly 5,000 collaborators, professors, and researchers work and study. Ideally situated along the lake of Geneva, near Lausanne's city center, its campus brings together over 120 nationalities.

Presentation

The Institut of Geography and Sustainability (IGD) seeks to fill one positions of Graduate Assistant, for a maximum period of 5 years. This position is linked to the environmental humanities team, under the responsibility of Dr. Sophie Swaton.

The IGD is an interdisciplinary community of about 100 academics that work on space, place and the environment. With 15 professors and close to 40 PhD students, the department offers a vibrant, stimulating environment for cutting-edge research. It hosts regular lecture series and distinguished guest researchers from around the world.

Job information

Expected start date in position : 01.11.2018

Contract length : 1 year, renewable 2 x 2 years, maximum 5 years

Activity rate : 80 %

Workplace : Institute of Geography and Sustainability, University of Lausanne, Switzerland

Your responsibilities

The successful candidate will develop independent research leading to a PhD in the broad field of sustainability. She or he will enjoy considerable freedom in defining the topic of the thesis. It should, however, relate to one or more of the following themes :

- Strong sustainability
- Environmental studies
- Sustainability and social and solidarity economy
- Sustainability and social finance
- Sustainability and governance
- Sustainability and ecological transition

The candidate will devote at least half of working time to her/his PhD research (40% for this post), with the remaining time reserved for supporting teaching and research of Dr. Sophie Swaton with a particular focus on the course « Sustainability : scientific and social tools » as a graduate assistant

Your qualifications

The successful candidate is expected to have earned a Master's degree in social sciences along with strong knowledge in environmental studies.

The successful candidate is expected to be able to fluently read scientific literature in environmental sciences and help maintain up to date the scientific ground of the course.

Communication and relational skills are required. The candidate will help co-organizing some courses. French and English language proficiency is expected (French is the working language of the environmental humanities group at IGD as well as the teaching language at UNIL).

What the position offers you

We offer a stimulating work environment and esprit de corps, with dedicated support for developing an academic career. Members of our research group become part of international networks and benefit from opportunities to attend conferences and workshops around the world.

We offer an excellent remuneration package and additional funds for fieldwork and conferences.

Contact for further information

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Additional information

Research group environmental humanities: <http://www.unil.ch/igd/home/menuinst/la-recherche/humanites-environnementales.html>

More recent publications:

S. Swaton, *Pour un Revenu de Transition écologique*, Puf, 2018.

S. Swaton and R. Baranzini, « Walras's conception of the social economy: about a persistent confusion », with R. Baranzini, *History of Economic Ideas*, 2017, 1, xxv, pp. 173-190.

D. Bourg, *Une nouvelle Terre*, Desclée de Brouwer, 2018.

D. Bourg and A. Papaux, *Dictionnaire de la pensée écologique*, 2015.

D. Bourg and G. Salerno, with R. Ferrari and S. Swaton, *Les scénarios de la durabilité*, Bookboon, édition juin 2018.

Your application

Deadline : 22.08.2018

Please, send your full application in Word or PDF

- letter of motivation
- full CV
- a short (2-3 pages) proposal for doctoral research
- scans of university degrees and course transcripts/marks
- one piece of research (e.g. Master's thesis, research paper, publication).

Only applications through this website will be taken into account.

We thank you for your understanding.

Additional information

UNIL is committed to promoting gender equality and strongly encourages applications from female candidates.