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Assistant Professor (tenure track) in Societal Challenges of Climate Change Impacts

Introduction

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

Presentation

The Faculty of Geosciences and the Environment (FGSE) of the University of Lausanne invites applications for a professorship in the Societal Challenges of Climate Change Impacts, to be based in the Institute of Geography and Sustainability (IGD).

We are looking for an excellent candidate with a background in the social sciences or humanities, working on the societal challenges raised by climate change, across a variety of spatial scales, perspectives, actors, and/or practices. Candidates should demonstrate research expertise in at least one of the following areas: spatial and/or intergenerational climate justice; adaptation strategies; territorial impacts of climate change and responses to climate risks; complex dynamics of knowledge, beliefs, and institutions in connection to climate issues. Candidates should demonstrate the capacity to develop interdisciplinary projects with earth and environmental scientists working on climate change, within the FGSE and beyond.

Information

Appointment will be at the Assistant Professor level (tenure track). However, exceptionally, we will consider outstanding candidates for direct appointment to the Associate or Full Professor level, notably if this corresponds with our equal opportunity objectives.

Starting date: August 1st, 2020 (or to be agreed upon)

Contract length: 2 years renewable twice (6 years) Tenure and promotion to the rank of Associate Professor is possible after 5 to 6 years. Once tenured, contracts are renewed on a 6 year cycle.

Activity rate: 100 %

Workplace University of Lausanne (Géopolis building)

Your Responsibilities

The successful candidate will actively participate in the research activities of the Institute of Geography and Sustainability, will teach in the Bachelor of Geosciences and Environment and in relevant Masters taught by the FGSE, and will supervise masters and doctoral students.

Your Qualifications

Candidates must demonstrate a capacity to undertake high quality research, to obtain competitive research funding, and to publish in peer-reviewed international research journals. A demonstrated potential for teaching and for supervising master's and doctoral theses is required. A good command of both French and English language is preferable. If French is not the native language, the ability to teach in French has to be acquired within two years of the appointment.

What the position offers you

The Faculty of Geosciences and Environment (FGSE) was created in 2003 and offers state-of-the-art equipment,

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incentives for projects, and excellent working conditions. It consists of three research institutes (Earth Science, Geography and Sustainability, and Earth Surface Dynamics) and a School that manages teaching and learning across these research domains. The FGSE specifically promotes interdisciplinary research and teaching, within and between the social and natural sciences. The Institute of Geography and Sustainability (IGD) includes geographers (human and physical), economists, and environmental philosophers. The approximately ninety employees of the Institute participate in one or more of the following research groups : Development, Societies, and Environment; Urban Studies; Environmental Humanities; Cultures and Natures of Tourism; Water Resources and Geoheritage; Geographic Information Science.

Contact for further information

Other useful information is available on the websites of the Faculty (www.unil.ch/gse) and the Institute of Geography and Sustainability (www.unil.ch/igd).

For further information, contact the Chair of the Selection Committee for this position: Prof. Frédéric Herman, Dean of the FGSE (frederic.herman@unil.ch).

Application deadline: September 25th, 2019 (23:59 Swiss time GMT+1)

The application in PDF must be shared in several document not bigger than 9.9 MB and will be considered only if sent through this website where you find a full description of the position:

<https://bit.ly/2RXz98z>

Or www.unil.ch/central/en/home.html -> Jobs -> search Climate change (14768)

and should include:

- . a cover letter
- . a full Curriculum Vitae, including previous employment and university training, the date and title of the doctoral thesis, publications, conference presentations and invited lectures, classes taught, and student research supervised
- . a research statement, describing the research the candidate intends to develop and his/her vision (max. 4 pages)
- . a teaching statement, describing the candidate's teaching approach, intentions for teaching and his or her potential contribution to our teaching programs (max. 2 pages)
- . PDFs of the three most significant publications and a one page assessment of their combined contribution to research
- . the names and contact information of five referees

Additional information

The University of Lausanne seeks to promote an equitable representation of men and women among its staff and strongly encourages applications from women. The FGSE's strategy regarding equal opportunity, specifically with respect to the recruitment of professors, is described in point 2.2 of the FGSE's Plan of action in favor of the equality of chances between women and men 2017-2020. Candidates are expressly invited to consult this document at the following website:

<https://www.unil.ch/gse/fr/home/menuinst/faculte/commissions/egalite.html>