



Announcement of academic position at Palacký University Olomouc, Czech Republic

The Dean of the Faculty of Arts of Palacký University Olomouc, in the Czech Republic, hereby announces a call for applications for university teaching positions

Department: Department of Asian Studies, project Sinophone Borderlands: Interaction at the Edges

Job title: Senior researcher

Specialization, field of expertise: Dialog Unit “Chinese Peasants in Russia’s Far East” in the project Sinophone Borderlands
– Interactions at the Edges (reg.no. CZ.02.1.01/0.0/0.0/16_019/0000791)

Workload: Research Fellow will work within a multidisciplinary team exploring how the Sinophone world interacts with the Turco-Persophone, Slavophone, Tibetophone, Hispanophone and Austroasiatophone worlds. One of direction (Dialog Unit “Chinese Peasants in Russia’s Far East”) within our diversified project is analysis of the current trends in cross-border agricultural activities between China and Russia. Publishing articles in impact journals, realizing the fieldworks, organizing workshops, attendance at the conferences.

Number of vacancies: 1 person (full time job)

Qualification requirements

- PhD in Anthropology or Sociology
- Proven and extensive experience of undertaking research relating to the cross-border economic practices
- Publications in journals indexed by WOS/ Scopus on topics relevant to discourse of land grabbing, Chinese farmers abroad, land rights and property rights for farmers abroad
- Proficient in qualitative field research (ethnographies, semi-structured interviews, etc.)
- Aptitude for and experience of international research collaboration
- Demonstrable experience of successful research funding pursuit
- Demonstrable experience of presenting and leading sessions at international research conferences
- Good command in English (min. B2)
- Proven knowledge of Chinese or Russian language is essential

Contract commence date: From 1 January 2019 until 31 December 2020 (2 years contract with a possibility of prolongation)

*Applications along with a CV, educational documentation and an overview of professional history, scholarly and publication activities **should be sent to the Personnel Department of the Faculty of Arts, Palacký University Olomouc, Křížkovského 10, Olomouc, 771 80, or by e-mail to: personalni.ff@upol.cz. The deadline is 18 November 2018.***

The most promising candidates will be invited to take part in the selection procedure in the weeks to come. We highly appreciate if the candidates attend the interview in person. If this is not feasible, the interview via Skype is an option.

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Job title: Scientific research help assistant

Specialization, field of expertise: Dialog Unit “Chinese Peasants in Russia’s Far East” in the project Sinophone Borderlands
– Interactions at the Edges (reg.no. CZ.02.1.01/0.0/0.0/16_019/0000791)

Workload: The position is for a PhD student. Research Fellow will work within a multidisciplinary team exploring how the Sinophone world interacts with the Turco-Persophone, Slavophone, Tibetophone, Hispanophone and Austroasiatophone worlds. One of direction (Dialog Unit “Chinese Peasants in Russia’s Far East”) within our diversified project is analysis of the current trends in cross-border agricultural activities between China and Russia.

Number of vacancies: 1 person (part time job)

Qualification requirements

- PhD student in Social (Cultural, Economic) Anthropology
 - MRes or masters in sociology (social research methods) or anthropology
 - Experience of working as part of a multi-disciplinary research project
 - Demonstrable experience of presenting at international research conferences
 - A strong understanding of the methodological implications arising from cross cultural research
 - Research interest relevant to discourse of land grabbing, Chinese farmers abroad, land rights and property rights for farmers abroad, etc.
 - Good command in English (min. B2)
 - Proven knowledge of Chinese or Russian language is essential
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Contract commence date: From 1 January 2019 until 31 December 2022 (1 year contract with a possibility of prolongation)

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Department: Department of Asian Studies, project Sinophone Borderlands: Interaction at the Edges

Job title: Senior researcher

Specialization, field of expertise: Dialogue Unit Central Asia in the project Sinophone Borderlands – Interactions at the Edges
(reg.no. CZ.02.1.01/0.0/0.0/16_019/0000791)

Workload: Research Fellow will work within a multidisciplinary team exploring how the Sinophone world interacts with the Turco-Persophone, Slavophone, Tibetophone, Hispanophone and Austroasiatophone worlds. One of direction (Dialog Unit “Central Asia”) within our diversified project is analysis of the current trends in politology, human geography, cultural anthropology and material culture in Central Asia. Publishing articles in impact journals, realizing the fieldworks, organizing workshops, attendance at the conferences etc.

Number of vacancies: 1 person (full time job)

Qualification requirements

- PhD in Political Science or Cultural Anthropology or Sociology or Sinology, eventually Economy, Human Geography or other expertise on Central Asia
- Previous research focus of the applicant should rest on the contemporary relations of Central Asian nations with China, in particular in the context of the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and the Chinese (infrastructure) investments in the region
- Aptitude for and experience of international research collaboration
- Demonstrable experience of successful research funding pursuit
- Demonstrable experience of presenting and leading sessions at international research conferences
- Knowledge of English (min. B2), Chinese or Russian (min. A2)
- Publications in journals indexed by WOS/ Scopus on topics relevant to Central Asia
- Proven experience in field research

- Advantages are experiences in organizing international conferences or workshops and experiences with conducting opinion polls

Contract commence date: From 1 January 2019 until 31 March 2021 (27 months contract with a possibility of prolongation)

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Department: Department of Asian Studies, project Sinophone Borderlands: Interaction at the Edges

Job title: Excellent/key researcher

Specialization, field of expertise: specialist on Central Asia, Southeast Asia or civil society in China in the project Sinophone Borderlands
– Interactions at the Edges (reg.no. CZ.02.1.01/0.0/0.0/16_019/0000791)

Workload: As a member of the project's executive board, the excellent and key researcher coordinates core activities of the project; publishes in in Web of Science and Scopus listed international journals; supervises and advises the preparation of workshops and co-organizes conferences and seminars as part of the project; communicates with international strategic partners; presents project results and national and international conferences. The expert is responsible for three Dialogue Units, i.e. Central Asia, Southeast Asia and NGOs in China. Leading a team of up to ten researchers, the expert provides advice and identifies training activities for junior staff members and coordinates these activities with the project's training center. Being an expert in one of the key topics of these Dialogue Units, the excellent and key researcher is responsible for monitoring the research progress and informing the management team about it as well as transferring the expert know-how to other Dialogue Units. Regularly participating in the executive board meetings, he/she also provides all necessary information for the advisory and control councils of the project.

Number of vacancies: 1 person (full time job)

Qualification requirements

- an internationally reputed, highly qualified Political Scientist, Cultural Anthropologist, Sociologist, Sinologist, Regional Studies Expert or Human Geographer with min. a PhD
- Experience with leading a team of researchers (minimum 2-3 years)
- Experience with training activities for junior staff
- The previous participation in an international scientific project (at least 3 years)

- Publications related to China as well as Central and/or Southeast Asia (topics related either to domestic or foreign affairs). Some of the publications must be listed in Web of Science or Scopus
- Proven experiences in field research and the holding of research positions in foreign countries are advantages, and so are experiences with drafting and conducting opinion polls
- Experience with organizing international conferences is an advantage
- H-index at WoS or Scopus minimum 3 or more than 100 citations in other database (e.g. Google Scholar)
- Knowledge of foreign languages is essential, notably English, min. B2; knowledge of other languages, e.g. Russian, min. B2, Chinese, min. A2, or of a Southeast Asian language, min. A2, are an advantage

Contract commence date: from 1 January 2019 until 31 December 2020 (24 months)

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