

Til: Styret for Naturhistorisk museum

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Sakstittel: Utlysning av stilling som professor/1. amanuensis i mineralogi

De viktigste problemstillingene

I henhold til museets årsplan for 2014 skal bemanningen innen systematisk mineralogi/petrologi styrkes med en professor/1.amanuensis. Stillingen vil være en erstatning for en mineralog som nå har gått av for aldersgrensen.

Ledelsen har i samråd med forskergruppen i mineralogi utarbeidet forslag til stillingsinnhold, kvalifikasjoner og vurderingskriterier for stillingen. Standard tekster knyttet til stillingsannonser kommer i tillegg.

Herved følger forslag til stillingen:

Professor/Associate Professor in Mineralogy

Job description

The Natural History Museum, University of Oslo has recently established a research group within mineralogy with a current focus on systematic, alkaline or pegmatite mineralogy. The group has currently three permanent members of staff, and the museum is in the process of expanding the group. We are looking for a dedicated and enthusiastic researcher with outstanding academic achievements within the fields of mineralogy, economic mineralogy or petrology. The successful candidate should be able to define her/his own research themes as well as contribute to developing the research portfolio within the group.

The candidate will be expected to attract external research funding from funding bodies or industry to initiate new research projects and secure funding for PhD students and postdocs. The museum also wants to have more research projects in cooperation with relevant groups within the University of Oslo and with high-ranking research groups abroad. Furthermore, the successful applicant should be prepared to partake in curatorial work as well as improve the museum's mineralogical and petrological collections.

Staff at the NHM have teaching responsibilities at the institutes of geosciences and biology on the main university campus at Blindern, and are expected to supervise candidates at master and doctoral level and fulfil examination duties.

Qualifications

We seek a highly motivated enthusiastic individual for a position as full or associate professor. To qualify for appointment as Professor/ Associate Professor, the applicant must have documented scientific work equivalent to a doctorate, and several years of post - doctoral experience.

We seek an active researcher with a strong publication record. The successful candidate should be on an upward trajectory and is expected to have strong potential to execute research projects at a high international level. Particular emphasis may be put on promise of future achievements, and a young candidate may be chosen on this criterion over candidates with extensive past record. A proven record of accessing such external funding is essential.

Experience with modern research methods in mineralogy, crystallography, spectroscopy or petrology is expected. Experience in curatorial work is an advantage, but not a requirement.

Documented experience in public outreach work will be emphasized.

Candidates for the position should supply a research plan, which demonstrates how the applicant's research will strengthen or create synergy effects on current research at the museum. Applicants, who at the time of appointment cannot document formal teaching competence, must acquire such competence in the course of two years.

The teaching languages at the University of Oslo are Norwegian and English. The person appointed to the position is expected to be able to teach in Norwegian or English or both.

Evaluation

In the assessment of applicants, emphasis will be placed on the research potential and then teaching and other academic qualifications, as well as those for management and administration. Personal qualities, such as international networking skills, ability to collaborate, communication skills, team-working skills and scientific leadership will be emphasized. The quality and extent of the applicants' scientific production during the last five years will be given particular weight, as well as experience in modern research methods and techniques. Interviews will be performed in the appointment process, and trial lectures may be required.

In accordance with the University of Oslo's equal opportunities policy, we invite applications from all interested individuals regardless of sex or ethnicity. However, in line with the expressed aim of the University of Oslo to recruit more women in academic positions, women are specifically encouraged to apply. At approximately equivalent qualifications, a woman will be preferred. According to the Norwegian Freedom of Information Act, information about the applicant may be included in the public applicant list, also in cases where the applicant has requested non-disclosure.

Forslag til vedtak

Styret godkjenner forslag til stillingsinnhold, kvalifikasjoner og vurderingskriterier og ber administrasjonen om å lyse ut stillingen.