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## Associate Professor (tenure track), Social and Public Policy

Our naturally beautiful campus in the Jyväskylä city centre is home to a dynamic multidisciplinary research university – a modern, open and collaborative community of 2,500 experts and 15,000 students seeking answers to the pivotal questions of today and tomorrow. It was here, in 1863, that Finnish-language teacher education began. Since then, the University of Jyväskylä has been serving the future. The dialogue between research, education and society is our driving force. We cherish this balance of research and education, and work to promote open thinking. We kindle the skills, knowledge and passion to live wisely for the best of humanity.

Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy is currently seeking to recruit an

**Associate Professor (tenure track), Social and Public Policy, starting August 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 or as soon as possible thereafter for a fixed-term period of five years.**

The Associate Professor's position is located at the Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy. The focus areas of research at the Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy are:

1. Traditions of Philosophical and Political Thought
2. Sustainable Societies
3. Policies and Politics of Welfare and Care.

Specialized in research on social, political and cultural transformations, the Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy is one of the leading units in the field of social sciences in Finland. Our strengths include high quality of research, good international reputation, active participation in public discussion as well as supportive and student friendly environment.

The position of Associate Professor is placed in the discipline of Social and Public Policy and it is located within the research profiling area "Active Ageing and Care in 2040" of the University of Jyväskylä, funded by the Academy of Finland. Within the university, this profiling area is conducted jointly by the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences and the Faculty of Sport and Health Sciences. The aim of the profiling area is to produce knowledge that promotes the development of research and practice of social policy on ageing and care. The profiling area is conducted in close collaboration with the Centre of Excellence in Research on Ageing and Care (CoE AgeCare).

The applicant is expected to take a major role and responsibility in developing and leading social scientific research, acquiring external funding and teaching, especially on Master and PhD levels, on ageing and care within the "Active Ageing and Care in 2040" profiling area. Within the Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy, the profiling area specializes in two themes: 1. care and housing policy, and 2. digitalisation of old age. For the position of Associate Professor, a person is sought who has the potential to rise among the leading international researchers of ageing and care.

The application procedure provides more detailed information on the duties, qualification requirements and attachments, see: <https://www.jyu.fi/en/workwithus/appointment-procedure>. The qualification requirements should be met before the closing time of this apply.

The appointment is for a fixed period of five years, see tenure track path. An especially distinguished and unquestionably qualified person may exceptionally be appointed directly to the position of professor presuming there is no candidate available who is more competent and suitable candidate for the position. The purpose of the fixed-term is, that the Associate Professor gathers enough merits for full Professor position. When an employee has been selected for a fixed-term associate professorship, an evaluation procedure is used regarding the employee's merits for a professorship filled through an invitation procedure. The evaluation procedure shall begin before the end of the fixed-term contract. The evaluation procedure follows the same practices used in the expert evaluation procedure for filling a professorship.

The Associate Professor's job-specific salary component is based on the job demands levels 7 (3 889,84 €/month) according to the salary system concerning teaching and research staff at universities. In addition, a personal performance-based salary component amounting to the maximum of 46,3% of the job-specific salary component is also paid.

Six months trial period is applied to the filling of the position.

For more information, please contact Professor Teppo Kröger, e-mail: [teppo.kroger@jyu.fi](mailto:teppo.kroger@jyu.fi), tel. +358 40 805 4160.

The application must include the following documents in English (the name of the applicant must be mentioned in the file name):

1. A CV of the applicant, composed according to good scientific practice and considering, when possible, the template for researcher's curriculum vitae of the Finnish Advisory Board on Research Integrity (TENK).
2. A numbered list of all scientific and other publications – drawn up according to the categorisation of the Academy of Finland – with which the candidate wishes to demonstrate his or her eligibility an merits for the post;
3. A brief (2-3 pages) written account of the applicant's scientific research, merits in scientific activities and supervision of research work, including an account of acquired complementary research funding and the responsibilities related to the research conducted through such funding and in international activities;
4. A brief (2-3 pages) written account of pedagogical training and teaching merits i.e. teaching portfolio;
5. A brief (2-3 pages) written account of the applicant's societal interaction and international cooperation;
6. A maximum of ten publications, numbered in accordance with the list of publications;
7. A brief (2-3 pages) account of how the applicant intends to develop research, teaching and societal interaction in the field of social policy of ageing and care.

Please submit your application at the latest on Wednesday, January 9th 2019 using the online application form.