



Faculty of law

Postdoctoral fellow

The position

There is one position as Postdoctoral fellow vacant at The Norwegian Centre for the Law of the Sea (NCLOS) for a period of 2 years.

The position is a fixed term position for a duration of 2 years. Appointment to the position of Postdoctoral Research Fellow is mainly intended to provide qualification for work in top academic positions. It is a prerequisite that the applicant is able to carry out the project over the full course of the employment period. No person may hold more than one fixed-term position as a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the same institution.

The Centre has a staff of 20 - 25 employees; academic staff and PhD students. The Centre is located at the Faculty of Law, providing for close contact and collaboration between the staff. The Centre also has an extensive national and international academic network.

The Centre is part of the Faculty of Law, which has about 950 law students, 25 PhD students, 35 members of the academic staff and 15 members of the administrative staff. The Faculty may award the degrees of Master and PhD in Law as well as the degrees of Master of Laws (LL.M.) in the Law of the Sea and Joint Nordic Master's Programme in Environmental Law.

More information on the Centre, see our website: www.uit.no/lawofthesea

The position's field of research

The Postdoctoral fellow is expected to undertake research within one of the following themes:

- Ocean Space;
- Sovereignty; or
- Ocean Commons

The objective of the Centre is to identify the limits and possibilities of the current law of the sea and ocean governance framework to adapt and respond to systemic challenges such as environmental pressures and consequently assess the need for rethinking the framework in order to achieve global goals of ocean resilience and sustainability.

The themes are based on hypotheses on limits and possibilities of aspects of the current regime:

- Ocean Space: The legal architecture of ocean space might not effectively/systematically address ocean resilience and sustainability
- Sovereignty: The logic of sovereignty needs to be reassessed. Sovereignty of coastal states (also sovereign rights and jurisdiction) over ocean space has not adequately respected common interests or offered adequate responses to the systemic challenges
- Ocean Commons: The governance of the Ocean commons needs to be reassessed, and of different reasons. These include the fragmented legal framework and whether the freedom of the high seas and common heritage provide adequate means for protecting marine biodiversity.

Any project proposal is expected to address either of these themes by building on the elements of the objective. Especially encouraged are project proposals that entail innovations in legal theory and methodology. The candidate selected for employment must be willing to adjust her/his project proposals to the plans of the Centre.

Contact

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Qualifications

The applicant is required to hold a Norwegian doctoral degree in the subject area concerned or a corresponding foreign doctoral degree recognized as equivalent to a Norwegian doctoral degree.

When applying for a Postdoctoral Fellowship, the applicant shall submit a project proposal for the qualifying work. The proposal shall include a progress plan. It is required that the applicant will be able to complete the project during the period of appointment.

Further, applicants must be able to document teaching qualifications in the form of documented practical competence as a teacher, university level teaching seminars, other teaching education of through having developed a teaching portfolio, see also teacher training courses.

Emphasis is attached to personal suitability.

In addition, he/she must be able to document proficiency in English equivalent to Norwegian Higher Education Entrance Qualification. The applicant must understand Norwegian or commit himself/herself to participate in the Norwegian Language Courses held by the University of Tromsø at the outset of the employment.

During the assessment emphasis will be put on the candidates potential for research, motivation and personal suitability for the position.

At UiT we put emphasis on the quality, relevance and significance of the research work and not on where the work is published, in accordance with the principles of The San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment ([DORA](#)).

We offer

- A good academic environment with dedicated colleagues
- Good welfare arrangements for employees
- Good arrangements for pension, insurance and loans in the Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund

Application

The application must be submitted electronically via www.jobbnorge.no and shall include:

- Application letter
- CV
- [This form](#) with a description of your pedagogical qualifications
- Diplomas and transcripts (all degrees)
- Written references
- Contact information to 2-3 references
- Project proposal
- A list of your academic production
- Description of your academic production, stating which works you consider most important
- The academic works (published or not) you wish us to take into consideration in the assessment

You must submit a project proposal that describe how you scientifically can contribute to (the project/described field of research). The proposal must include a progress plan.

The documentation must be in English or a Scandinavian language. We only accept applications sent via www.jobbnorge.no.

General information

The appointment is made in accordance with State regulations and guidelines at UiT. At our website, you will find [more information for applicants](#).

The successful candidate must be willing to get involved in the ongoing development of their department and the university as a whole.

The remuneration for Postdoctoral research fellow is in accordance with the State salary scale code 1352. A compulsory contribution of 2 % to the Norwegian Public Service Pension Fund will be deducted.

A good work environment is characterized by diversity. We encourage qualified candidates to apply, regardless of their gender, functional capacity or cultural background. UiT will emphasize making the necessary adaptations to the working conditions for employees with reduced functional ability.

According to the Norwegian Freedom and Information Act (Offentleglova) information about the applicant may be included in the public applicant list, also in cases where the applicant has requested non-disclosure.

More practical information for working and living in Norway can be found here: [Welcome to UiT!](#)

UiT - Developing the high north

UiT is a multi-campus research university in Norway and the northernmost university of the world. Our central location in the High North, our broad and diverse research and study portfolio, and our interdisciplinary qualities make us uniquely suited to meet the challenges of the future. At UiT you can explore global issues from a close-up perspective.

Credibility, academic freedom, closeness, creativity and commitment shall be hallmarks of the relationship between our employees, between our employees and our students and between UiT and our partners.

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