UNIVERSITY OF LAPLAND, Arctic Centre

Appointment Description

University Researcher, Impacts of Global Change and Adaptation of Northern Livelihoods, starting 1 September 2024 or as agreed

The position relates to the strategic choice Global Arctic Responsibility of the University of Lapland and to the research programme Global Change of the Arctic Centre.

Duties

The University Researcher’s task is to unite research on the global forces of change (such as the impacts of climate change, animate and inanimate nature, and interactions between people and the environment) with research on the resilience and adaptation of northern livelihoods.

The duties include the following:

- First-rate multidisciplinary research conducted independently in northern regions
- Acquisition of supplementary research funding and management of research projects
- Provision of instruction in the Arctic Studies programme and supervision of doctoral students in the appointee’s own field of research
- Innovative presentation of science in the Arctic Centre’s science centre
- Popularisation of science

Qualification requirements

- a doctor’s degree in geophysics (especially in research on snow)
- academic competence demonstrated through publications and advanced knowledge of one’s own field of research
- skills in communicating with decision makers and the general public
- demonstrated skills in acquiring supplementary research funding and in managing research projects
- experience in research on northern regions
- proficiency in the Finnish and English languages

When applying, the applicant is to provide a research plan. In the selection process, special attention is paid to the quality of the plan and to the way in which the candidate’s research is strategically linked to other research conducted at the Arctic Centre.
General competence requirements

An appointee to a university position must have the education, practical experience, and language skills required to successfully perform the duties of the position. These requirements are defined separately for each position before starting the appointment procedure, also considering the language requirements laid down in section 1 of the Government Decree on Universities (770/2009).

The working language at the Arctic Centre is English, which is also the language of instruction. Successful performance in the position requires proficiency in spoken and written English.

Further information related to the position and appointment

The position is filled through a public application procedure.

The University Professor’s salary is based on teaching and research personnel’s competence levels 6–7 of the universities’ salary system. In addition, the total salary includes a personal salary component amounting to 6–50% of the task-specific salary component.

Appointment

The Executive Board of the Arctic Centre makes a proposal to the Rector on the person to be appointed to the position.

The Rector of the University of Lapland appoints the University Professor to an employment relationship.