

We are seeking to appoint a

Researcher (50%)

for the project *'Engendering Migration, Development and Belonging: The Experiences of Recently Arrived Afghans in Europe'* for the duration of 24 months starting on 1 November 2017. The post is based at the University of Neuchâtel.

Funded by the Swiss Network of International Studies (SNIS), the project examines how gender shapes understandings of home, belonging and the self among recently arrived Afghan migrants in Europe. It explores the implications of these understandings for how Afghan migrants engage with development in Afghanistan. The project uses qualitative methods and a gender-sensitive approach. The case study countries are Denmark, Germany, Switzerland and the UK. The post holder will be part of an international team of researchers and work closely with the project coordinator Dr Carolin Fischer.

Main responsibilities of the post holder:

- Conducting a desk review of relevant national and international migration policy documents
- Identifying research participants in Germany and Switzerland
- Conducting interviews and focus groups with participants in Germany and Switzerland
- Carrying out qualitative data analysis using software such as NVivo
- Assisting with research write-up
- Contributing to policy briefs and academic publications

The essential requirements of the post holder:

- A Masters' degree in Social Sciences (such as Sociology, Social Anthropology, Gender Studies, Human Geography)
- Proven experience using one or more of the qualitative methods used in the project
- Familiarity with the literature and theories on migration, gender and international development
- Research experience in a relevant field (preferably migration)
- Fluency in German and English
- A working knowledge of French (official language of the University of Neuchâtel)
- Excellent organisational skills
- Enthusiasm for working in a team

This position is ideal for PhD researcher or a recent postgraduate looking to gain further research experience in the fields of migration and development. The salary corresponds to the official rates of the University of Neuchâtel (see <https://www.unine.ch/srh/collaborateurs-scientifiques> for details).

The University of Neuchâtel is an equal opportunities employer and welcomes applications from all suitably qualified persons regardless of their race, sex, disability, religion/belief, sexual orientation or age.

Application procedure:

Please send your cover letter, CV, including names and contact details of two referees, degree transcripts, one sample of written work on a topic relevant to the project as one e-mail attachment to: Dr Carolin Fischer, carolin.fischer@unine.ch

The application deadline is **15 September 2017**.

For additional information about the position, please contact: carolin.fischer@unine.ch