



4 postdoctoral positions for outstanding young researchers

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Consequently, we invite applications for:

4 post-doctoral positions

We are seeking highly qualified and highly motivated post-doctoral fellows to conduct excellent, highly interdisciplinary research.

The initial contracts are for three years, renewable up to a period of five years. The salary will be at the level of TV-L 13 (100%). All position holders can apply for research funds from the Graduate School. The positions are affiliated with the new Johanna-Mestorf-Academy of the CAU (www.uni-kiel.de/landscapes/school/jma.shtml).

Positions will commence on 1st February 2013.

Candidates must hold a PhD or an equivalent university degree in a field relevant to the multidisciplinary theme of “Human Development in Landscapes”. The post-doctoral fellows will be selected for their scientific excellence, the strength and innovation of their research proposal, and its pertinence to the field of “Human Development in Landscapes”.

Postdoc 1: A postdoctoral position in Cultural Theory (Cluster 1) shall concentrate on identity and the environment of ancient societies, with particular emphasis on theoretical terms and concepts such as nature, environment, and landscape, as well as culture, identification, mobility, and innovation.

Postdoc 2: The second position shall deal with socio-cultural theory, with particular emphasis on material culture (Cluster 1) as a medium, for example, for social interaction in the past and in the present. This position may also address the interface between archaeology and anthropology.

Postdoc 3: Development of innovative archaeobotanical proxies (Cluster 2) (e.g. phytoliths), with a particular emphasis on the reconstruction of early economies. This position may also address questions regarding economies at a micro-scale/household-level.

Postdoc 4: Development of quantitative archaeological proxies (Cluster 2), with particular emphasis on the reconstruction of demographic and land-use patterns in ancient environments. This position may also address the interface between archaeological surveys and the reconstruction of settlement patterns.

To apply, submit a research outline no longer than 8 pages, a covering letter, a detailed CV, two letters of recommendation, certificates of degrees and copies of up to three selected relevant publications. Applications must be received as hardcopy and as a single PDF with the reference to the position (e.g. Postdoc1) by **October, 15th 2012** to the coordinator of the Graduate School, Professor Johannes Müller (for address see below).

Kiel University is an equal opportunity employer and aims to increase the number of women in research and teaching. Kiel University has been certified by the Hertie Foundation as a family-friendly institution and is committed to further the compatibility of work and family life. The University supports the employment of disabled persons. Persons with disabilities will, with appropriate qualifications and aptitudes, be employed preferentially.

Addresses for applications as hardcopy and PDF

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18 doctoral positions for outstanding young researchers

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Consequently, we invite applications for:

18 doctoral positions

We are seeking highly qualified and highly motivated doctoral fellows to conduct excellent, highly interdisciplinary research.

The initial contracts are for two years with the potential to be extended to a third year. The salary will be at the level of TV-L 13 (50%). All position holders can apply for research funds from the Graduate School. The positions are affiliated with the new Johanna-Mestorf-Academy at Kiel University (www.uni-kiel.de/landscapes/school/jma.shtml).

Positions commence on 1st February 2013.

Eligible candidates must hold an outstanding university degree (MA, MSc or equivalent) in a field relevant to the multidisciplinary theme of “Human Development in Landscapes”. The graduate program is jointly offered by academics of Humanities, Mathematics and Natural Sciences, and Social and Life Sciences. The Graduate School, therefore, fosters the formation of interdisciplinary PhD teams.

Innovative research ideas are supported by excellent infrastructure and the university’s graduate centre. Supervision will be provided at an interfaculty level. Candidates are invited to submit proposals for PhD research projects addressing one or more of the following general themes of the Graduate School: “Society and Reflection”, “Social Space and Landscapes”, “Adaptation and Innovation”.

The applications should fit to the **foci of the Clusters**:

Cluster 1: "Society and reflection"

www.uni-kiel.de/landscapes/allgemein/jobs/phd/cluster1.shtml

- 1: The impact of landscape on the human mind and/or society
- 2: The shaping of landscape by the human mind and/or society
- 3: The cultural mechanisms and transformations of mental and social reflections on landscape and on human development therein

Cluster 2: "Social Space and Landscape"

www.uni-kiel.de/landscapes/allgemein/jobs/phd/cluster2.shtml

- 1: Economic and settlement systems: 'Social space and environment'
- 2: Social space in transformation: 'Increasing complexity'
- 3: Social communications and environmental conditions: 'Social links and changing environments'

Cluster 3: "Adaptation and Innovation"

www.uni-kiel.de/landscapes/allgemein/jobs/phd/cluster3.shtml

- 1: Subsistence and diet
- 2: Framing social landscapes
- 3: Manipulating the materiality of objects
- 4: Mobility
- 5: Understanding past gene-environment interactions in health and diseases

Applications in English, including an outline of the proposed PhD research project (maximum 8 pages), curriculum vitae, copies of credentials, proof of English proficiency, and two letters of reference must be submitted **before 15th October 2012** to the coordinator of the Graduate School, Professor Johannes Müller, as hardcopy and as a single PDF (for address see below).

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