Sigrid Rausing PhD Studentship in Human Rights Research

The Department of Anthropology at UCL is seeking applications for an MPhil/PhD candidate fully funded by The Sigrid Rausing Trust, to commence in the academic session 2017/18.

The Sigrid Rausing Trust is a UK grant-making foundation, founded in 1995 by Sigrid Rausing to support human rights globally.

In conjunction with potential supervisors, the successful applicant will be expected to propose research in any area directly relevant to human rights issues. It is expected that the candidate will upgrade from MPhil to PhD after 9 months and that fieldwork will be conducted over a 12-15 month period. The final thesis will be submitted within 4 years of initial registration. Funding will cover UCL fees (up to UK fee cost) and provide a stipend for 3 years (paid at the RCUK rate, which is currently £16,296 per annum).

Enquiries may be addressed to Dr Allen Abramson (Graduate Tutor) at a.abramson@ucl.ac.uk or Prof. Susanne Kuechler (Head of Department) at s.kuechler@ucl.ac.uk

Person Specification

Candidates will be considered for the post on the basis of the criteria outlined below.

- First Class Bachelor's degree in a relevant discipline AND/OR Distinction at Masters level in a relevant discipline, with at least one of the degrees being in Anthropology.
- Strong familiarity with issues pertaining to human rights
- Experience of and ability to carry out fieldwork
- Relevant linguistic skills or ability to acquire

How to apply

Please email your application in pdf format to Martin O'Connor (martin.oconnor@ucl.ac.uk) who is the Departmental Manager for UCL Anthropology. Please include a full CV (up to 2 pages) and a piece of work (c. 5,000 words) from your masters or a related dissertation, along with a statement (c. 750 words) describing how you are qualified and prepared for the position and how you would approach the proposed area of research.

Please arrange for TWO academic referees to write confidentially to Martin O'Connor, to be received no later than the closing date. References should be emailed.

The successful candidate will be required to complete a UCL research student application on-line (http://www.ucl.ac.uk/prospective-students/graduate/apply/research/how-to-apply) in order to enrol at UCL and be formally registered to receive the studentship.

Closing date: 5pm 30/12/2016