

The School of Culture and Society at Aarhus University invites applications for the position of assistant professor or associate professor in Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Studies.

Applicants should state explicitly whether they are applying for an assistant professorship or an associate professorship.

If an assistant professor is appointed, the position will be a three-year training position involving research and teaching obligations and publications at doctoral level (as a minimum). The emphasis is on the applicant's research potential. After three years, and subject to appropriate funding, an associate professorship in Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Studies will be announced in open competition.

The associate professorship is a permanent position.

The position is available from 1 August 2019 or as soon as possible thereafter.

Place of employment: Department of Theology, Jens Chr. Skous Vej 3-7, 8000 Aarhus, Denmark.

The position

The Department of Theology at Aarhus University has always had a strong profile in Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Studies in its degree programmes and research. The position is being offered with a view to attracting a talented, innovative and dedicated candidate who is expected to play a key role in the continued creation of internationally recognised research areas within Old Testament/Hebrew Bible Studies at the Department of Theology. The successful applicant will be expected to contribute to core activities at an international level at the School of Culture and Society in general and the Department of Theology in particular in the following areas: research, education, talent development and knowledge exchange.

Participation in the daily life of the Department of Theology is a high priority, and we emphasise the importance of good working relationships, both among colleagues and with our students.

Research

Applicants must possess the qualifications and ambitions necessary to conduct research in the field of Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Studies. The School of Culture and Society emphasises high-quality research and attaches great importance to international and interdisciplinary collaboration, participation in collective research projects, and the ability to attract external research funding. In addition, the Department of Theology has a significant international profile and strong research networks. Accordingly, we are looking for a candidate with a strong research profile and track record in Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Studies. The successful applicant will be expected to develop and take part in the activities of the department's theological research programme and its Old Testament research unit, and to develop and contribute to research initiatives in terms of new research projects with internal and external partners and external research funding.

Applicants should explicitly present their visions and plans for the development of Old Testament/Hebrew Bible Studies at Aarhus University with respect to research and teaching.

Teaching

Applicants for the assistant professorship should be prepared to teach and supervise students at BA and MA level, while applicants for the associate professorship will also be expected to teach at PhD level.

The successful applicant is expected to contribute to the development and application of innovative teaching methods. The Department of Theology will expect the successful applicant to participate actively in the development of a dynamic teaching environment in dialogue with students and other professors. The position involves teaching duties in Old Testament/Hebrew Bible Studies as well as responsibility for the development of interdisciplinary teaching activities. This also includes (team) teaching of other and comparable topics in the degree programmes at the Department of Theology and beyond, including the new Master's degree programme in diaconia. In addition, the position may include responsibility for teaching courses in Biblical Hebrew.

If an assistant professor is appointed, the person concerned will be obliged to complete a course in university teaching devised especially for assistant professors.

Talent development

If an associate professor is appointed, the successful applicant is expected to contribute to talent development in Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Studies and at the Department of Theology in general. The successful applicant will be expected to recruit and supervise PhD students as well as teaching and developing PhD courses.

Knowledge exchange

The successful applicant is expected to engage in knowledge exchange and the public dissemination of knowledge as mentioned in the strategy for the Faculty of Arts, Aarhus University. Applicants for the associate professorship should document prior experience within the field of knowledge exchange.

Qualifications

Applicants must have a PhD degree or equivalent qualifications in theology or related fields. Applicants for the assistant professorship must also have teaching experience corresponding at least to the experience gained during a PhD degree programme.

Applicants for the assistant professorship must be able to document experience of or interest in the points mentioned below at least at PhD level. Applicants for the associate professorship must be able to document competences corresponding to the completion of an assistant professorship.

Applicants must also document:

Academic publications at a high international level in the field of Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Studies. Thorough knowledge of historical-critical and contextual approaches to the exegesis and theology of the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament.

Knowledge of human and social science fields which are relevant to Hebrew Bible/Old Testament Studies.

Knowledge of sources and cultures in the Ancient Near East, adjacent to Ancient Israel and Judah.

A relevant and internationally oriented publication profile.

Experience of or interest in participation in national and international research networks.

Experience of or interest in communication and knowledge exchange.

Experience of or interest in interdisciplinary collaboration as well as interdisciplinary research.

Experience of or the potential for obtaining external research funding.

Experience of or interest in interdisciplinary teaching including innovative teaching methods.

Experience of or interest in teaching development, the supervision of students at all levels, talent development, research management, and the development of PhD courses.

Please note that only submitted publications will be assessed: a list of publications is mandatory but not sufficient. As a result, applications without submitted publications will not be assessed.

Applicants must be able to teach and communicate in Danish at university level. If the successful applicant is not fluent in Danish, he or she will be expected to learn Danish within a period of approximately two years.

The application must be written in English.

For more information about the application, please contact HR supporter Marianne Birn, email: mbb@au.dk

For further information about the position, please contact Head of Department Ulrik Nissen, email: teoubn@cas.au.dk

The Department of Theology

The successful applicant will join the Department of Theology at the School of Culture and Society, Faculty of Arts. Theology at Aarhus University is one of the largest environments for theological research in Europe, and attracts a number of internationally recognised researchers. The environment is nationally and internationally renowned for its research activities in a number of areas such as the history of ancient Israelite religion and Old Testament anthropology, Pauline studies and gospel studies, Christianity in antiquity, Reformation theology, systematic theology, including theological ethics and dogmatics, ecumenical and practical theology, public issues, as well as the study of N.F.S. Grundtvig and K.E. Løgstrup. The Department of Theology offers Bachelor's and Master's degree programmes in theology (cand.theol.), as well as a Master's degree programme in diaconia (cand.mag.).

The School of Culture and Society

At the School of Culture and Society, the object of research and teaching is the interplay between culture and society in time and space:

From the traditional disciplines of the humanities and theology to applied social research
From Antiquity to the issues facing contemporary societies
From familiar Danish cultural forms to other very different worlds
From local questions to global challenges

The school's ambition is to produce compelling research with an international resonance, as well as offering teaching and talent development of the highest quality. The school has a broad cooperative interface with society as a whole, both in Denmark and abroad, and contributes to social innovation, research communication and further and continuing education.

For more details about the school, please see <http://cas.au.dk/en/>.

Formalities

Faculty of Arts refers to the Ministerial Order on the Appointment of Academic Staff at Danish Universities (the Appointment Order).

Appointment shall be in accordance with the collective labour agreement between the Danish Ministry of Finance and the Danish Confederation of Professional Associations.

Further information on qualification requirements and job content may be found in the Memorandum on Job Structure for Academic Staff at Danish Universities .

Further information on the application and supplementary materials may be found in Applicant Guidelines.

The application must outline the applicant's motivation for applying for the position, attaching a curriculum vitae, copies of relevant degree certificates, and (if relevant for the position) a teaching portfolio. Please upload this material electronically along with your application. When you submit your application for the assistant professorship, please upload a maximum of five samples of your scholarly output (mandatory).

When you submit your application for the associate professorship, please upload a maximum of eight samples of your scholarly output (mandatory).

If nothing else is noted, applications must be submitted in English. Application deadline is at 11.59 pm Danish time (same as Central European Time) on the deadline day.

All interested candidates are encouraged to apply, regardless of their personal background.

Shortlists are prepared with the candidates that have been selected for a detailed academic assessment.

A committee set up by the head of school is responsible for selecting the most qualified candidates. See this link for further information about shortlisting at the Faculty of Arts:

http://medarbejdere.au.dk/fileadmin/user_upload/Proces_for_shortlisting_december_2017.pdf

Faculty of Arts

The Faculty of Arts is one of four main academic areas at Aarhus University.

The faculty contributes to Aarhus University's research, talent development, knowledge exchange and degree programmes.

With its 500 academic staff members, 260 PhD students, 10,500 BA and MA students, and 1,500 students following continuing/further education programmes, the faculty constitutes a strong and diverse research and teaching environment.

The Faculty of Arts consists of the School of Communication and Culture, the School of Culture and Society, the Danish School of Education, and the Centre for Teaching Development and Digital Media. Each of these units has strong academic environments and forms the basis for interdisciplinary research and education.

The faculty's academic environments and degree programmes engage in international collaboration and share the common goal of contributing to the development of knowledge, welfare and culture in interaction with society.

Read more at arts.au.dk/en

Aarhus University offers Relocation service to International researchers. You can read more about it at <https://international.au.dk/>

Aarhus University

Aarhus University is an academically diverse and research-intensive university with a strong commitment to high-quality research and education and the development of society nationally and globally. The university offers an inspiring research and teaching environment to its 39,000 students

(FTEs) and 8,000 employees, and has an annual revenues of EUR 884 million. Learn more at www.au.dk/en

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04 April 2019

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