

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Postdoctoral Researcher in Religious Sciences

Job Summary: The postdoctoral researcher will contribute to the implementation of a European research project backed by UMR DRES from University of Strasbourg and financed by the INTERREG program. Entitled "*Sharing Religions and Beliefs*", this project brings together six universities located in the Upper Rhine region.

Detailed Role Description:

Role within the Organization

The postdoctoral researcher, recruited for a two year contract starting January 1, 2017, will carry out his/her activities within the framework of the UMR DRES of University of Strasbourg under the direction of Mr Francis Messner, CNRS Director of Research and project initiator, and will be accompanied during his/her duties by the project manager, Mrs Clémence Kelche.

Contextual Background of the Role

Recent events characterized by the rise of radicalism, extremism and a tendency to strengthen communitarianism calls for effective responses and the establishment of an adapted and effective long-term strategy. As part of their missions and competencies, Universities have an essential role to play with regard to this matter. The INTERREG project "*Sharing Religions and Beliefs*" involves the Universities of Strasbourg, Heidelberg, Tübingen, Basel, Fribourg-en-Brigau, and the Institute of Jewish Studies in Heidelberg with the aim of setting up training, information, and communication services on the theories and practices of interreligious exchange. The cross-border approach makes possible the combination of rare academic skills in order to promote the exchange of scientific knowledge and creation of a Diploma.

Role Profile and Mission

The applicant must have a doctorate in either Theology, Religion, Human and Social Sciences, or in Religious Law. His/her role will consist of collaborating with the project team on the creation of a Diploma as well as a Master 2 program, the setting up of an Interreligious Institute, the organization of international colloquiums and the publication of collective books. In close connection with our partners across the Rhine, the candidate will have strong interpersonal skills, be able to work in a team and be fluent in the three working languages: French, German and English. He/she must also have a strong sense of organization in order to execute on the time constraints of the INTERREG program.

Main Research Field: Religious Sciences

WORK ENVIRONMENT

Contract Type: Non-permanent contract (2 years)

Status: Full time

Employer: Strasbourg University – UMR DRES

Description of the Research Unit: The activity is carried out within the DRES laboratory. It has 53 permanent members composed of 44 teacher-researchers, 4 CNRS researchers, 5 ITA, 1 USIAS, 1 postdoctoral researcher, 1 contracting university and 78 doctoral students. DRES holds 12 Master and University degrees related to the research themes of the unit.

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HOW TO APPLY

Start Date of Employment: February 2017

Application Deadline: January 2017

Contact: Résumé and cover letter (in French, German or English) should be send as soon as possible to: Mrs Clémence Kelche – Project Manager - clemence.kelche@unistra.fr - +33 3 68 85 61 15



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