The University of Hong Kong

Founded in 1911, the University of Hong Kong is committed to the highest international standards of excellence in teaching and research, and has been at the international forefront of academic scholarship for many years. The University has a comprehensive range of study programmes and research disciplines spread across 10 faculties and over 140 academic departments and institutes/centres. There are over 28,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students who are recruited globally, and more than 2,000 members of academic and academic-related staff coming from multi-cultural backgrounds, many of whom are internationally renowned.

Tenure-Track Assistant Professor in Global China and/or Migration
(Ref.: 201801215)

Applications are invited for appointment as Tenure-Track Assistant Professor in Global China and/or Migration in the Faculty of Social Sciences (as tenure home) and the Faculty of Arts, to commence on January 2, 2019 or as soon as possible thereafter, on a three-year fixed-term basis, with the possibility of renewal and with consideration for tenure in either Geography or Sociology before the expiry of a second three-year fixed-term contract.

Applicants should possess a Ph.D. degree in Social Sciences and an excellent publication record preferably in Global China Studies. Applicants who are close to obtaining a Ph.D. degree will also be considered. They should demonstrate achievements of, or potential for, excellence in teaching and research in one or more of the following areas: globalization, migration, demographic studies, personal well-being. Those with a strong background in quantitative methods and big data analysis in social science research are preferred. The appointee will teach courses in Geography, Sociology and the Faculty of Arts.

The Faculty of Social Sciences aspires to become a world-leading source of social science research about Greater China, Asia, and the world. We have identified the following research clusters as areas of focus over the next 5-10 years: Contemporary China: social, political, and spatial transformation; Mental Wellness: from brain to society; and Cities 2050: urbanisation, mobility, and sustainability. In addition, we are developing our capacity in social science research methods. These Faculty initiatives will receive additional support and hence applicants are encouraged to explain how their research might align with any of these clusters. There is also an opportunity to be part of an existing team on migration and labour led by Professor Pun Ngai. Enquiries about the post should be sent to Professor Pun Ngai of Department of Sociology at npun@hku.hk.

A globally competitive remuneration package commensurate with the appointee’s qualifications and experience will be offered, in addition to annual leave and medical benefits. At current rates, salaries tax does not exceed 15% of gross income. The appointment will attract a contract-end gratuity and University contribution to a retirement benefits scheme, totalling up to 15% of basic salary. Housing benefits will be provided as applicable.

Applicants should send a completed application form together with an up-to-date C.V., a letter of interest, writing samples, a research statement and a teaching statement to the Faculty of Social Sciences at fosshr@hku.hk. They should also arrange for three confidential references (quoting the job reference number) to be sent directly by the referees to the Faculty at fosshr@hku.hk. Please indicate clearly the reference number and the position applied for in the e-mail subject. Application forms (341/1111) can be downloaded at http://www.hr.hku.hk/apptunit/form-ext.doc. Further particulars can be obtained at http://jobs.hku.hk/. Closes October 1, 2018.

The University thanks applicants for their interest, but advises that only candidates shortlisted for interviews will be notified of the application result.

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