

The University of Neuchâtel invites applications for the position of:

**assistant professor (100%, tenure track) in the anthropology of cultural practices
and production in postcolonial contexts**

Job description:

Applicants must:

- possess expertise and research experience in one or more of the following areas: the anthropology of music, dance or the visual arts; the production, institutionalization and circulation of "primitive art"; audio-visual practices, uses and circulation; institutional and everyday practices in the area of heritage and museums;
- possess expertise and research experience in one or several postcolonial societies.

In addition, candidates should:

- have demonstrable experience in teaching and supervising student work (BA, MA) and be able to supervise doctoral research;
- be able to offer both general courses in anthropology/ethnology at the BA and MA levels, and specialized courses in the field of cultural practices and production;
- demonstrate interdisciplinary openness in teaching as well as in research;
- demonstrate integration in expert networks at the national and international levels;
- demonstrate skills in mobilizing third-party funds, coordinating projects, and/or managing research teams;
- demonstrate a willingness to establish collaborations with local, national and international cultural actors and institutions, and specifically with the Neuchâtel Ethnography Museum.

Language skills: Fluency in French (after two years) and English required; fluency in German and/or a non-European language appreciated.

Starting date: February 1, 2023 or by arrangement

Deadline for applications: May 15, 2022

Requirements: Candidates must have a PhD in anthropology (or equivalent degree) and a high-level publication record relevant to the job profile. As a signatory to the DORA Declaration, the University of Neuchâtel attaches importance to a qualitative evaluation of candidates' academic activities.

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Teaching:

- 2 hours of teaching in general anthropology and/or regional ethnology (non-Western societies) at the Bachelor or Master's level;
- 2 hours of teaching at the Bachelor or Master's level in the field of cultural practices and production, depending on the specialization of the person recruited.

Research:

- develop fundamental research in the anthropology of cultural practices and production, with an area focus on postcolonial societies;
- participate in the research activities of the Anthropology Institute and the Center for the Understanding of Social Processes ([MAPS](#), particularly “La Fabrique de demain”) as well as in national and international networks related to his/her research fields;
- demonstrate an ability to secure external research funding.

Supervision: participation in the supervision of students, in particular Masters and doctoral theses.

Administration:

- participation in the administration of the Anthropology Institute (e.g. responsibility for the Bachelor's or Master's undergraduate curriculum, direction of the Institute); of the Faculty (commissions, Dean's office) and of the University;
- responsibility for the co-direction (with Dr. Yann Laville) of the inter-university Master in ethnomusicology and participation in the scientific committee of this Master.

Salary: determined by Neuchâtel cantonal legislation.

Obligations: determined by cantonal laws of the Republic and Canton of Neuchâtel.

Procedure:

Interested candidates are invited to submit their application on the website: www.unine.ch/candis (ref. FLSH_ETHNOLOGIE_II). Deadline for submission: **May 15, 2022**.

Applications must be submitted as a single .pdf file including:

- a letter of motivation;
- a detailed Curriculum Vitae describing the teaching and research activities, and including a publications list (please do not send publications at this time, they may be requested later in the procedure);
- a "Scientific statement" (3 pages maximum) presenting the candidate's main lines of research and the projects she or he intends to develop at the Institute;
- copies of all university diplomas obtained;
- a list of three experts capable of evaluating the candidate's scientific competence.

Selected candidates may be invited to give a job talk before the professors, assistants and students of the Faculty.

The conditions listed in this document are non-negotiable.

Information: Further information may be obtained from the Chair of the Recruitment Committee, Prof. Ellen Hertz (ellen.hertz@unine.ch), or the Dean of the Faculty (decanat.lettres@unine.ch) and on the Faculty (<https://www.unine.ch/lettres/home.html>) and Institute (www.unine.ch/ethno) websites.

The University of Neuchâtel is committed to promoting diversity among its staff and to offering non-discriminatory working conditions. It encourages applications from all countries, both European and non-European.