The Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies (HCAS) is an independent institute of the University of Helsinki. In the spirit of the concept of an institute of advanced study, the HCAS provides an outstanding international research environment for scholars in the humanities and social sciences. The HCAS facilitates innovative, curiosity-driven research and multidisciplinary interaction between different fields of research. The working language of the HCAS is English.

The Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies invites applications for fixed-term appointments to begin in August 2020. We are looking for

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representing the career stages of early career (post-doctoral researchers), mid-career (university researchers) and full professors (research directors). Professorial fellows are appointed for a term of 6 to 12 months, and post-doctoral and university researchers’ terms range from one to three years.

Who can apply?

Successful applicants should have the ability to produce high-quality research in the humanities and social sciences. We particularly encourage bold applications that aim at theoretical integration or rethink the theoretical foundations of the research area or discipline. In addition to detailing their academic merits and their research project in the application, applicants should explain how they plan to contribute to the interdisciplinary research environment of the Collegium as well as indicate whether they plan to cooperate with researchers of the University of Helsinki and if so, how. Eligible applicants must have completed their doctoral degree.

Successful candidates are expected to demonstrate scholarly excellence relative to their career stage. The merits of post-doctoral researchers should indicate the promise of scholarly excellence. University researchers should have an internationally recognized research profile and the ability to contribute to the direction of their own field and to lead a research group. Research directors should have the qualifications of a full professor with a distinguished track record in research, academic leadership and international collaboration as well as in the obtainment of external research funding.

What we offer

The HCAS provides a creative and inspiring research community, allowing the fellows to pursue their personal research projects free from administrative duties. All core fellowships at the Helsinki Collegium are salaried positions. The salary level will be determined according to the salary system of Finnish universities. For fellows in early career (post-doctoral researchers) stage the monthly gross-salary ranges between 3500€ – 3900€, fellows in mid-career (university researchers) 3900€ – 5500€ and full professors (research directors) 5500€ – 8000€. All core fellows will have a personal allowance for travel and other expenses. Fellows’ offices are located on the HCAS premises at the heart of the University of Helsinki on the City Centre Campus, with easy access to libraries and other university services.

The application, together with the required attachments, must be submitted through the University of Helsinki electronic AAVA system. Detailed instructions for applicants can be found on the website of the Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies https://www.helsinki.fi/en/helsinki-collegium-for-advanced-studies/fellowships.

The application period begins on 23 August 2019 at 8 AM and ends on 13 September 2019 at 4 PM local Helsinki time. The decision on the appointments will be announced in February 2020. We kindly ask that any inquiries and questions be submitted to collegium-HR@helsinki.fi.