Doctoral position (47 months) in Social Anthropology (with a focus on audiovisual anthropology)

University of Bern, Department of Social Anthropology

Within the SNF-funded interdisciplinary “Sinergia” research project ‘Mediating the Ecological Imperative: Formats and Modes of Engagement’, we offer a doctoral position for 47 months, starting 1 February 2021. Your specialization should be in the field of human-environment relations, in an area related to the subproject “Indigenous Futurisms: Counter-publics in the Slipstream” (Prof. Dr. Michaela Schäuble). The participation in the activities of the project as well as residency in Bern are expected.

For further information see:

https://www.ikg.unibe.ch/forschung/forschungsprojekte/mediating_the_ecological_imperative/index_ger.html

The successful candidate should have an outstanding MA degree in Social Anthropology and have a strong interest in developing a dissertation project employing experimental as well as participatory research methods. A strong engagement in a wide range of collaborative activity under the umbrella project (including three other disciplines: Contemporary Art History, Image Studies, and North American Literatures) is expected.

Ideally, the doctoral student will already have worked on multispecies entanglements and storytelling. In addition to the training a Social Anthropologist, she or he would ideally have a background in Audiovisual/Media Anthropology, Art History, Visual Studies (Bildwissenschaft), or North American Literatures. The doctoral student will write the dissertation at University of Bern and will be supervised together by first advisor Prof. Dr. Schäuble (University of Bern) and another member of the Sinergia team.

A requirement for a successful application is very good German and English. The application deadline is September 1st, 2020.

Interviews with a short presentation of your proposed research project will be held in Bern on September 18th, 2-6pm, so please save the date.

Please send your application containing a detailed CV, information on publications (if applicable), copies of obtained degrees, a short description of your research project, a writing sample (a chapter of the MA thesis or an article), and the contact details of two professional referees to the following email address and postal address: michaela.schaeuble@anthro.unibe.ch
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