

Associate Professor in Medieval Church History

A full-time tenured position as Associate Professor in Medieval Church History with an emphasis on the Nordic region is available at the Faculty of Theology.

We seek a candidate with broad research competence in Church History of the medieval west, and expert knowledge of the Nordic region. The successful candidate covers the classical church historical perspectives related to institution, faith, church doctrine, and Christian religious practices. The candidate should have expert knowledge in material religion and is expected to initiate and carry out research utilizing the unique collection of Norwegian antiquities held at the University of Oslo's Museum of Cultural History. We thus seek a candidate with the motivation and ability to engage in research collaboration within the University of Oslo as well as internationally. Competence in medieval encounters between Christianity and other religions will be considered a clear advantage, both the transition from the Old Norse religion to Christianity, and relations with Judaism and Islam. Relevant expertise in material philology, as well as experience with digital humanities methods is desirable. Perspectives crossing the boundaries between western and eastern Christian traditions are also welcome.

The person employed is expected to generate and lead research projects at a high international level, supervise PhD candidates, participate in teaching, examination, and assessment at all levels, and to carry out administrative duties and leadership in accordance with the needs of the Faculty of Theology.

Applicants must document their suitability to contribute to the objectives stated in the University of Oslo's [Strategic plan](#), especially to promote "independent, ground-breaking, long-term research" and "educate students with the knowledge, ability and willingness to create a better world".

Qualification requirements

Qualification requirements for the position of Associate Professor:

- Applicants must hold a PhD, or equivalent academic qualifications, in the field of Church History, religious studies or a similar relevant field
- Knowledge of Latin and other relevant languages
- Fluent oral and written communication skills in English. International applicants are expected to teach in a Scandinavian language within two years (see Formal regulations below)
- Relevant research experience
- A solid record of relevant scholarly publications
- Originality and innovation in research
- Documented experience of or potential for externally funded project acquisition and project management within research

- Documented basic university pedagogical competence. Applicants who cannot document basic university pedagogical competence must acquire this within two years from appointment

The following qualifications will be considered in the assessment of the applicants:

- Knowledge of the Nordic context
- International network and experience
- Experience with cross-disciplinary research and teaching
- Experience with project management and research collaboration
- Experience with digital humanities methods
- Experience with dissemination

Personal skills

The following personal skills are highly desirable:

- Collaborative skills
- An open mind towards new methodological approaches and interdisciplinarity
- High personal motivation for research and teaching
- Motivation for academic leadership and administration