

Visiting Fellowships, Political Science

The Social Science Research Institute (www.samforsk.abo.fi) at Åbo Akademi University invites international scholars to apply for a Visiting Fellowship Program. Visiting Fellowships are intended to foster research and writing suitable for publication in a journal. Applicants should be engaged in cutting-edge empirical or theoretical work in the fields of *public opinion*, *political behavior*, *electoral studies* or *democratic innovations*, and hold an ongoing position at a university or research institution.

Visiting scholars are expected to be in residence at Åbo Akademi for the fellowship period and participate fully in the academic life of the Institute, engaging with both researchers and faculty members. The present call covers the academic year of 2016 – 2017 and is open to applicants at different stages of their academic career. The length of the visit should be between one and three months.

The institute specializes in research on public opinion, political behavior and electoral studies, as well as in experimental research on citizen deliberation. Its researchers are well connected in the international political science community. The Institute is located at both campuses of the University, in Åbo (Turku) and Vasa (Vaasa).

The Social Science Research Institute will provide the Visiting Fellows with a work space and a monthly scholarship of 1,600 euro to cover expenses during the stay. Accepted Fellows should organize and pay for their own travel. **To apply**, please send the following documentation to Mr. Erkkö Vanhakartano, by e-mail erkko.vanhakartano@abo.fi

- A covering letter stating why, when and for how long you wish to visit, and which of the two campuses you wish to be located at
- An outline (no more than two pages) of the research you propose to conduct during the visit
- A brief curriculum vitae (no more than two pages)
- Letter(s) of reference

no later than April 29, 2016. For more information, please contact the Director of the Institute, Professor Kimmo Grönlund, kimmo.gronlund@abo.fi