

University College Maastricht (UCM)

International Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow (f/m), 1.0 fte

Maastricht University (UM) is renowned for its unique, innovative, problem-based learning system, which is characterized by a small-scale and student-oriented approach. Research at UM is characterized by a multidisciplinary and thematic approach, and is concentrated in research institutes and schools. Maastricht University has around 14,000 students and 3,500 employees. Reflecting the university's strong international profile, a substantial amount of both students and staff are from abroad. The university is comprised of 6 faculties: Faculty of Health, Medicine and Life Sciences, Faculty of Law, School of Business and Economics, Faculty of Humanities and Sciences, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Faculty of Psychology and Neuroscience.

<http://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl>

University College of Maastricht University is an international Liberal Arts and Sciences Honours College that specializes in Bachelor education for academically passionate and highly motivated students from a wide variety of backgrounds. Drawing on the strengths of Maastricht University's faculties and its own core staff, it offers its students over 150 courses and an extensive skills training program, as well as a close-knit academic community. Academic freedom of choice and personal attention are hallmarks of the program. The College has been ranked for several years as either the best or one of the two best Bachelor programmes in the Netherlands and also topped the rankings in the quality of our teaching. After completing their studies, many students go on to renowned Master's or PhD program, and a wide range of careers.

Job description:

You will contribute to teaching in the honours liberal arts & sciences BA programme of the University College Maastricht. Teaching duties include courses in Sociology and Contemporary World History and possibly in Research Methods. You will be teaching and coordinating at least one course in Latin American issues from a sociological perspective. Furthermore you might be involved in supervising Bachelor theses.

Your teaching activities will take 80% of your time the remaining 20% will be available for research.

Job requirements:

The candidate must be from a Latin American country, currently living in Latin America and must have completed a PhD that is explicitly focused on Latin American issues from sociological perspective. Preference will be given to candidates with expertise in one or more of the following areas: Indigenous Peoples/Cultures; Social Movements; Human Rights, Environmentalism, and Sustainability. Familiarity with the African diaspora of Latin America is also be beneficial. Expertise in Sociology and a working knowledge of Research Methods (Qualitative and Quantitative) is essential.

You should be capable of planning and coordinating at least one six week course module of 11 two hour tutorial meetings and five one-one and a half hour lectures on Latin American issues from sociological perspective which would trigger student learning and participation in group discussions. You will also be required to do the teaching for the course and typically, there might be two-four tutor groups but the number of tutor groups depends on student demand. You will receive guidance in how to complete a course module student course manual and of course in how to teach using the Problem Based Learning model. You are an inspiring and stimulating supervisor.

As the language of instruction is English, your command of English should be excellent (oral and writing) and must be demonstrably proficient.

Previous experience in working with innovative, interdisciplinary learning approaches and problem-based teaching methods are highly welcomed.

Experience with teaching in international classrooms is a plus. All members of staff are expected to share our emphasis on high quality teaching, reflected in our system of small-scale problem based learning. You are open to interdisciplinary collaboration. You are a team player.

Conditions: Temporary appointment of 12 months. If you perform well and if student numbers do not drop substantially, this contract can be extended. The contract period is in total maximum 2 years.

You will be a member of the academic staff for this period and provided with teaching guidance and the possibility to follow the teaching training programme offered by the University. Furthermore support will be provided for research.

Depending on experience and qualification, the gross monthly salary is about € 3.475,- per month, scale level 11 (based on a full-time appointment). The gross yearly salary is about € 48.500,- (based on a full-time appointment, including 8% holiday pay and an 8,3% end of year payment).

For more information on conditions of labor see:

<https://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/support/um-employees/you-and-your-work/employment-conditions/general-terms-employment>

For researchers from outside the Netherlands there is a possibility of applying for tax free allowance which amounts to 30% of the taxable salary.

More information can be found via <https://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/support/um-employees>

If you do not already live in Maastricht (or its direct surroundings) you might be eligible for an allowance for alternative housing.

You will be provided with shared office space and a PC.

For more information on University College Maastricht please check the website:

www.ucm.nl or contact: Dr. Mark Stout, Vice Dean Student Affairs (phone number +31-(0)43-3885198).

Please send an application letter, CV and a course proposal before January 31st to:

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6200MD Maastricht
The Netherlands

Or

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The course proposal should be no more than three paragraphs long; please use as a template the various course proposals in the UCM course catalogue available for download at:

<https://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/education/bachelor/bachelor-university-college-maastricht/courses-curriculum>