

Please see details of a Graduate Assistant in geography of mobilities at the University of Lausanne, Switzerland below or at: [bit.ly/2ZnFqAe](https://bit.ly/2ZnFqAe).

The successful candidate will develop independent research leading to a PhD in the field of geography of mobilities

Deadline for applications is 30 December 2019 and queries about the post should be addressed to Prof. Patrick R erat ([patrick.rerat@unil.ch](mailto:patrick.rerat@unil.ch)).

Thanks and best wishes,

Patrick R erat

## Graduate Assistant in Geography of Mobilities

### Introduction

The University of Lausanne (UNIL) is a higher teaching and research institution composed of seven faculties where approximately 15,000 students and nearly 5,000 collaborators, professors, and researchers work and study. Ideally situated along the lake of Geneva, near Lausanne's city center, its campus brings together over 120 nationalities.

### Presentation

The Institute of Geography and Sustainability (IGD) seeks to fill the position of Graduate Assistant in Geography of Mobilities. The position is part of the research team in geography of mobilities led by Professor Patrick R erat.

The Institute of Geography and Sustainability (IGD) is an interdisciplinary community of about 100 academics that work on space, place and the environment. With 15 professors and close to 40 PhD students, the department offers a vibrant, stimulating environment for cutting-edge research. It hosts regular lecture series and distinguished guest researchers from around the world. The post is located in the research group Urban Studies which is one of the institute's six groups.

### Job information

Starting date: 1<sup>st</sup> of February 2020

Contract length: 1 year, renewable 2 x 2 years, maximum 5 years

Activity rate: 80%

Workplace: Lausanne, Institute of Geography and Sustainability, Geopolis building, University of Lausanne, Switzerland

### Your responsibilities

The successful candidate will develop independent research leading to a PhD in the broad field of geography of mobilities. She or he will enjoy considerable freedom in defining the topic of the thesis. It should, however, relate to one or more of the following themes:

- Mobilities and sustainability (transition to a low carbon mobility, practices of utility cycling, shared mobilities, micro-mobilities, etc.)
- Mobilities and space (importance of mobilities in spatial organization, urban form and sustainable urban planning, etc.)
- Mobilities and society (role of the various forms of mobility in lifestyles and leisure, in the organization of society, etc.)

The candidate will devote at least half of working time to her/his PhD research, with the remaining time reserved for supporting teaching and research of the team in geography of mobilities.

### Your qualifications

- Master's degree in human geography (or in another social science).
- Interest for the various forms of mobility (residential choice, internal migration, everyday mobility, etc.) and their links with spatial dynamics and planning issues.

- The applicants should have the goal of completing a Ph.D. thesis in one of the fields of the geography of mobilities.
- Experience in mixed methods (articulation of quantitative and qualitative methods)
- French language proficiency is expected (French is the working language as well as the teaching language). Good command of English and German would be an asset.

## What the positions offer you

We offer a stimulating work environment and esprit de corps, with dedicated support for developing an academic career. Members of our research group become part of international networks and benefit from opportunities to attend conferences and workshops around the world.

We offer an excellent remuneration package and additional funds for fieldwork and conferences.

## Your application

Deadline: **30<sup>th</sup> of September 2019**

Please submit the following documents only via the [career website](#) of the University of Lausanne:

- letter of motivation
- full CV
- a short (2-3 pages) proposal for doctoral research
- scans of university degrees and course transcripts/marks
- one piece of research (e.g. Master's thesis, research paper, publication)

## Contact for further information

Prof. Patrick Rérat ([patrick.rerat@unil.ch](mailto:patrick.rerat@unil.ch)).

## Additional information

UNIL is committed to promoting gender equality and strongly encourages applications from female candidates.