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## Assistant Professor (tenure-track) in Urban Studies

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Location

Language

Delft

English

Level

Type

Associate, Entry level

Full-time

Profession

Deadline

Professor

21.08.2019

## ABOUT US

As one of the world's leading training grounds for these engineers, TU Delft views its role in society as supplying technological solutions that take us significantly further along the road towards sustainability and a flourishing economy.

## ABOUT THE ROLE

### Faculty of Architecture & the Built Environment

Since its foundation 110 years ago, the Faculty of Architecture and the Built Environment has built up a solid international reputation for training architects, urban planners and designers, as well as for its research portfolio and coaching of PhD candidates. With around 2600 students and 500 staff members, with around 230 FTEs devoted to academic positions, our faculty is one of the largest of Delft University of Technology and one of the most prestigious architecture and the built environment faculties globally. Traditionally, the faculty has prioritised high-quality training in design and research in the field of the built environment. Over 40 chairs cover a wide range of academic areas in design, process and technology, which together cover the entire field of the built environment.

The Department of Urbanism in the Faculty of Architecture at Delft University of Technology was established in 1948 and since then has contributed to academic knowledge of the urban environment and design and planning interventions. The Urbanism research

group's core task is to mobilise its multidisciplinary knowledge, skills and reputation towards the creation of more sustainable living environments. The priority is to contribute solutions to the urgent challenges of urbanisation in the context of climate change.

The Section Urban Studies is a newly established group starting from 2019. The group will grow to 6 permanent staff, and currently comprises of 3 permanent staff, 4 post-docs, and 10 PhD students. The Urban Studies group investigates people-place relationships at different spatial scales, from neighbourhoods to cities to regions. Through our research we aim to better understand how neighbourhoods, cities and regions develop, and how different spatial configurations and structures emerge (within and between cities), and how these configurations affect people across the life course. The multi-level interaction between people and places is central in our research. We investigate how the urban context affects individuals, and we investigate how people influence the socio-spatial structures around them. The research in Urban Studies is multi-disciplinary and empirical in nature, using both qualitative and quantitative research methods, with a strong emphasis on the use of very large longitudinal register data sets and advanced statistical techniques.

## **Job description**

The successful candidate will join the newly established Urban Studies group at the department of Urbanism. The group investigates people-place relationships at different spatial scales, in an interdisciplinary and international setting. This new post is an exciting opportunity to co-develop and contribute to the new teaching and research program in Urban Studies. The candidate is expected to set up an independent research line within the research programme of Urban Studies and to establish links with urban design. The candidate is also expected to supervise PhD students, and publish research in high-impact peer reviewed journals. The successful candidate will actively acquire funding (from national and European Research Councils, Horizon 2020, or comparable) for research projects and lead and carry out collaborative projects with colleagues. The candidate will contribute to the teaching programme of the faculty, develop own teaching material and courses, supervise students on all levels of university education, and acquire University Teaching Qualifications within an agreed period. For the overall balance in the group, we especially welcome applications from female academics.

## **WHAT YOU'RE GONNA DO**

- A PhD in the social or spatial sciences, for example geography, (urban)sociology, criminology, or other relevant spatially aware disciplines.
- A strong international profile, evidenced by international work experience and network.
- A track record as researcher within the theme of Urban Studies, evidenced by a strong list of internationally peer-reviewed publications and contributions to books.
- Experience in the management of research projects and grant proposal writing.

- Strong quantitative research skills and proven experience with analysing large longitudinal (big) datasets using advanced statistical techniques.
- Experience with teaching within the theme of Urban Studies (preferably with a strong connection to urban design) and the ambition to acquire University Teaching Qualifications within a short period of time.
- Experience in supervising students and PhD students and the ability to motivate students.
- A demonstrated proficiency in the written and spoken use of the English language as well as the willingness to learn Dutch, and good presentation and communication skills.

## ABOUT YOU

A tenure-track position is offered for six years. Based on performance indicators agreed upon at the start of the appointment, a decision will be made by the fifth year on whether to offer you a permanent faculty position. The TU Delft offers a customisable compensation package, a discount for health insurance and sport memberships, and a monthly work costs contribution. Flexible work schedules can be arranged. An International Children's Centre offers childcare and an international primary school. Dual Career Services offers support to accompanying partners. Salary and benefits are in accordance with the Collective Labour Agreement for Dutch Universities.

TU Delft sets specific standards for the English competency of the teaching staff. Candidates who do not speak Dutch are expected to have Dutch language skills within three years. The TU Delft offers training to learn Dutch or/and improve English competency. Inspiring, excellent education is our central aim. If you have less than five years of experience and do not yet have your teaching certificate, we allow you up to three years to obtain this.

TU Delft creates equal opportunities and encourages women to apply.

## WHAT WE OFFER

- Department/faculty: Faculty Architecture & the Built Environment
- Level: Doctorate
- Working hours: 32-38 hours weekly
- Contract: Tenure Track position
- Salary: 3637 - 4978 euros monthly (full-time basis)

## SALARY

3,637 - 4,978 EUR

# INTERNATIONAL CANDIDATES

This job is available for international candidates.

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