

The **Department of Health Sciences and Health Policy, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences of the University of Lucerne, Switzerland** is inviting applications for two tenure track positions with an initial appointment of 7 years.

Associate Professor for Health Economics

Associate Professor for Health & Social Behavior

The Department of Health Sciences and Health Policy at the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences of the University of Lucerne wishes to expand its teaching and research programs through the establishment of two Associate Professorships with focuses in *Health Economics* and *Health & Social Behavior*. The Department's mission is to contribute to the optimal functioning and health of persons experiencing or likely to experience disability by means of research in policy, services and care. The Department offers the unique opportunity to cooperate with Swiss Paraplegic Research (SPF).

Both positions are tenure track and are initially limited to 7 years. Tenure is envisioned depending on a positive evaluation of the candidate and the successful establishment of a Master program in Health Sciences with specializations in *Health Economics and Health Care Management* and *Health Behavior & Health Promotion*. Furthermore the development of research programs funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) or the European Commission's research framework is desirable.

Candidates are expected to hold a doctoral degree in a discipline relevant to the professorships, to have published in international peer reviewed journals and to have successfully applied for competitive personal or project research grants. As the primary task of these Professorships is to contribute to the establishment of a Master Program in Health Sciences, curriculum development skills, and a passion for teaching, are essential.

Successful candidates for the Associate Professorship in *Health Economics* should possess a broad knowledge of economics as well as experience with its application in the health and social sectors. Ideally, candidates should have a strong background in empirical research. For the development of his/her research program, the professor will be able to build on the close collaboration between the Department of Health Sciences & Health Policy and the Department of Economics.

Successful candidates for the Associate Professorship in *Health & Social Behavior* should possess a broad knowledge in the behavioral sciences and should be able to apply it in the health and social sectors. A background in either the social sciences, psychology or a health profession is an asset. Experience with both qualitative and quantitative methods is expected.

With a view towards increasing the number of female professors, the University of Lucerne specifically encourages qualified female candidates to apply. Interested applicants should send their cover letter, curriculum vitae, list of publications and a catalogue of projects by email (ksf@unilu.ch) or mail no later than March 14, 2012 to the **University of Lucerne, Dean's office, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Frohburgstrasse 3, P.O. Box 4466, 6002 Lucerne, Switzerland.**