

Associate or Assistant Professor in Demography at Shanghai University

Background:

One Associate or Assistant Professor is sought to conduct research and teach in the School of Sociology at Shanghai University. Successful candidates will be based in the internal migration and urbanization pillar of the Asian Demographic Research Institute (ADRI). The highly rated School of Sociology and Political Sciences at Shanghai University is one of only four 'National Key Disciplines' for Sociology in China. The School also has been awarded the 'Peak Discipline' (高峰学科) and 'Double Excellence Discipline' (双一流学科) national titles. The Asian Demographic Research Institute, founded in 2015 by the School of Sociology and Political Sciences, aims to be a leading centre for demographic research in the Asia region. Currently comprised of four research pillars, funding is in place for ADRI to grow to approximately 20 research positions, to be filled by a mix of Chinese and foreign scholars. ADRI is the new headquarters of the Asian MetaCenter and is soon to begin masters and doctoral programs in demography. English is the working language at ADRI. More details can be found online: <http://adri.shu.edu.cn/> or on Twitter @ADRIshanghai.

Job Description:

The Associate or Assistant Professor will develop their own research agenda focusing on internal migration and urbanization. He/she will work in collaboration with other scholars in the internal migration and urbanization pillar, led by Yu Zhu, investigating a range of issues on internal migration and urbanization, including (but not limited to) patterns of internal migration and urbanization, mobility transition and settlement transition, international comparative studies of internal migration and urbanization (particularly in Asia). They will be expected to develop their research for publication in leading demographic journals, be capable of teaching courses on the ADRI graduate program and explore external funding opportunities.

Requirements:

The successful candidate will have a background in the study of internal migration and/or urbanization with a Ph.D. in demography, sociology, geography, economics or a related discipline. Priority will be given to candidates demonstrating good and growing publication record in peer reviewed journals.

Conditions of Employment (All Posts):

Basic employment packages follow standard Chinese government guidelines. Contracts lengths are offered for three to four years with renewal if performance targets are met. Start dates are negotiable. All posts include a heavily subsidized apartment on the university campus or a housing bursary of equivalent value. ADRI will support suitable candidates with applications to Shanghai and National schemes for high skilled researchers. These schemes further boost employment packages to match equivalent positions in top US or European institutes. ADRI has already been successful in supporting a range of similar applications by new staff members.

Application and Further Information:

Only electronic submissions in standard document formats (preferably PDF) via the relevant email (zhu300@shu.edu.cn) will be accepted. The following application materials are expected for both positions:

1. A cover letter (500-750 words in English) detailing the position of interests (Associate or Assistant Professor) and the applicants suitability for the job.
2. Curriculum Vitae.
3. One English language writing sample. Published journal articles are preferred. The search for candidates will remain open until the position is filled.