

University of Borås

The Swedish School of Textiles has a vacancy for a

Doctoral student in Textile Design

Reg no: PA 2013/19

Full-time, fixed-term (maximum of four years, annual renewal), start date according to agreement.

The research conducted by the Swedish School of Textiles in the field of Textile Design focuses on practice-based design research in the *Smart Textiles* program, with focus on researching new methods and definitions in textile design for the development of new functions and expressions in textiles. The possibilities to develop, deepen and critically examine the artistic foundation for design as craft and profession with focus on the expressiveness of textile materials and techniques are supported by the full-scale textile labs at the Swedish School of Textiles.

The vacant position is part of the University's strategy to strengthen practice-based research in the field of textile design and it focuses in particular on the development of methodological and design aesthetic foundations of the field.

Research is conducted in close collaboration with national and international research groups. The position will provide excellent opportunities for specialization within a very topical area of research.

Doctoral students are appointed under Chapter 5 of the Higher Education Ordinance. The study period will correspond to a maximum of four years of full-time studies. The initial period of employment lasts one year and is typically renewed one year at a time. Normally, 80 per cent of the time of the position is reserved for research and research studies within the doctoral programme at the department. The remaining time includes teaching at the undergraduate and graduate levels in relevant courses, supervision of theses, and participation in external projects and assignments. In this manner, the doctoral studentship is extended to a total of five years.

This position requires the applicant to hold a Master's Degree in Textile Design or similar qualifications. For admission to a doctoral programme, the applicant's ability to benefit from research education in the field is assessed. It is essential that the applicant have good commands of English, both spoken and written.

Questions regarding the position are answered by Head of School Erik Bresky, +46(0)33-435 41 31 or +46(0)733-77 85 20. To reach Union representatives Carina Théen (Saco-S), Mikael Gunnarsson (ST) and Susanne Björkdahl Ordell (Läraryrket), please call the University's switchboard at +46(0)33-435 40 00.

The application, marked with registration number, is to include a witnessed list of qualifications, copies of certificates, and other qualifications the applicant wishes for the employer to consider. To help track statements, the University has developed a Portfolio of Qualifications, which is available on the website under Job vacancies. Two copies of the application documents including references must be available to the University on the 31st of May 2014.

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