

Call for applications: stipends for one-year stay at NUPI 2015

This call is exclusively targeted at the alumni of the OSCE Academy. Graduates of any year and from either of the Master's programmes may apply. Two alumni will be selected to spend a year at the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI), starting in January 2015 (pending further project funding). This stay is an add-on to the MA degree from the OSCE Academy, and the purpose is to further prepare the two successful applicants for work in international affairs or study at PhD level by deepening their practical and academic experience. The two will be placed in NUPI's research group on Russia, Eurasia and the Arctic (for more information, see <http://english.nupi.no/Activities/Departments/Department-of-Russian-and-Eurasian-Studies>). Candidates should be hard-working, versatile and easy to get on with.

The selected alumni will each receive a stipend of NOK 13500 (ca. USD 2000) per month. The first month they will receive a double stipend. The stipend is to cover the expenses in connection with their stay in Norway, including accommodation. The stipend is sufficient for one person to live in Oslo with a cautious lifestyle, not sufficient for a family. In addition, NUPI will cover a total of two return flights from their country of residence to Norway.

Selection criteria

Applicants should have good grades, excellent written English and they should be able to read and speak Russian. In addition, the following criteria are not mandatory, but would be viewed positively: familiarity with Excel and/or statistical analysis; experience from large-scale data-gathering; relevant work experience or studies apart from the OSCE Academy; academic or analytical publications (or unpublished reports). We will also strive for diversity among those selected. The best qualified candidates will be contacted for a phone or Skype interview and may also have their English language and other skills tested before being finally selected.

Submission

Applications should be submitted to soknad@nupi.no and include:

- short motivation letter including topics of interest to work on (1/2 page)
- CV
- transcript of grades from the OSCE Academy
- GPA from the OSCE Academy
- transcripts of grades from any other institutions of study
- MA thesis from the OSCE Academy
- any academic or analytical texts produced by the candidate elsewhere

Please remember to put the following in the subject line of the application e-mail: "OSCE alumni stipend"

Deadline

16:00 CET, Friday 29 August 2014.

Information

For further information, contact Indra Overland: ino@nupi.no or Kristin Fjaestad: kfj@nupi.no