The Birgit Rausing Centre for Medical Humanities is looking for people

In the autumn of 2020, the Birgit Rausing Centre for Medical Humanities (BRCMH) was founded following a donation to the Faculty of Medicine. Now we are looking for research and teaching staff with various profiles, from different disciplines and with diverse experiences who, individually and collectively, can contribute to the development of activities at BRCMH.

As a prospective staff member, you have a genuine interest in the medical humanities. You are willing to work on the start-up of a knowledge centre in which collaboration across subject boundaries is crucial. Perhaps you can already see your skills thriving in an environment which provides real opportunities to exert influence. You are expected to actively participate in various meetings/activities related to BRCMH’s operations.

Basic requirements
• You have earned a PhD
• You fulfil one of the person specifications listed below
• You are employed by Lund University or within Region Skåne
• You are able to work part-time (20%) for the centre in 2020 and preferably 2023; the centre will pay the part-time salary
• You have good oral and written proficiency in both Swedish and English.
Main work duties
• Development of activities within the centre
• Interdisciplinary research and/or development of education
• External engagement
• External monitoring within and outside academia
• Networking within the University and with other higher education institutions
• Participation in applications for external funding.
You are welcome to submit your application no later than 15 November 2021 to the centre director martin.garwicz@med.lu.se.
The preliminary start date is 24 January 2022.

The application must include:
• Name, contact details and current organisational affiliation
• Your motivation for wanting to work with us (max one A4 page)
• CV and list of publications demonstrating that you fulfil one of the person specifications
• The terms and conditions of your employment in 2022–2023.

Process and tentative timeline:
• 15 November: application deadline
• 22 November – 3 December: interview process
• 8 December: applicants informed of decision
• 24 January: preliminary start date

Do you want to find out more about BRCMH? Please contact us at: martin.garwicz@med.lu.se
Person specifications

We are looking for...

...three clinical professionals working in the healthcare professions with expertise in the medical humanities or related fields, who will focus on the analysis and development of interpersonal relations in healthcare professions.

Candidates must be physicians or work in another healthcare profession (researcher, teaching staff member or healthcare professional). The following specific qualifications apply.

**Requirement:**
- Theoretical knowledge, research or teaching experience in the medical humanities or related fields of knowledge.

**Additional qualifications:**
- Practical skills in assessing the quality of the interpersonal contacts between caregivers and patients
- Theoretical knowledge, research or teaching experience in the medical humanities
- Experience of interdisciplinary work, especially across faculty boundaries.

...three researchers/teaching staff in the humanities or social sciences, who will focus on the potential of aesthetic forms of expression in relation to healthcare and interpersonal relations or on healthcare, caregivers and patients or healthcare-related science in relation to societal or historical processes.

Candidates are preferably researchers/teaching staff in one of the following subjects: Anthropology, Ethnology, Film Studies, Philosophy, Gender Studies, History, History of Ideas, Art History, Literary studies, Media and Communication Studies, Musicology, Social Work, Sociology or Theatre Studies. The following specific qualifications apply.

**Requirement:**
- Research in your discipline relevant to the medical humanities.
Additional qualifications:
• Theoretical knowledge, research or teaching experience in the medical humanities
• Experience of interdisciplinary work, especially across faculty boundaries.

…three researchers/teaching staff in psychology or linguistics, who will focus on analysing or developing interpersonal relations through linguistically or psychologically based methods applicable in healthcare or health sciences programmes. Candidates must be:

Researchers/teaching staff in psychology

Requirement:
• Research relevant to interpersonal relations, in particular concerning the ability to form and develop relationships.

Additional qualifications:
• Theoretical knowledge of how the ability to form and develop relationships and its underlying aspects are measured and can be modified
• Expertise relating to psychometric instruments of relevance to the above
• Theoretical knowledge, research or teaching experience in the medical humanities
• Experience of interdisciplinary work, especially across faculty boundaries.

Researchers/teaching staff in psychology

Requirement:
• Research relevant to behavioural adaptation and learning.

Additional qualifications:
• Theoretical and practical knowledge regarding the neuropsychological basis for learning
• Expertise regarding methodology for the characterisation of nonverbal communication in the interpersonal relationship
• Theoretical knowledge, research or teaching experience in the medical humanities
• Experience of interdisciplinary work, especially across faculty boundaries.

Researchers/teaching staff in linguistics

Requirement:
• Research relevant to the medical humanities.

Additional qualifications:
• Theoretical knowledge and practical management of qualitative and quantitative analyses of language use
• Experience of studying how language is used in medical or healthcare-related contexts
• Theoretical knowledge, research or teaching experience in the medical humanities
• Experience of interdisciplinary work, especially across faculty boundaries.