

# Call for Two Doctoral Studentships in Rhetoric at the Baltic and East European Graduate School, in cooperation with Uppsala University (Reference no 86/22/2012)

Research at the **Baltic and East European Graduate School (BEEGS)** focuses on the Baltic Sea area and Eastern Europe, and successful applicants for the studentships must focus their research on this region. Applicants are welcomed from all over the world. Fluency in English is required, since this is the working language at BEEGS. BEEGS is part of the Centre for Baltic and East European Studies (CBEES). For more details about BEEGS, see www.sh.se/beegs. For more details about CBEES, see www.sh.se/cbees.

Research within Rhetoric at Södertörn University reflects the subject's multidisciplinary character, as well as the expressed interdisciplinary ambition that characterises the subject. Research in Rhetoric deals with all aspects of the creation of social meaning – the discursive, visual and tactile. We therefore welcome doctoral students who are interested in working interdisciplinary and with issues and methods that cross traditional subject boundaries. For us, contemporary rhetoric is primarily a tool for understanding, processing and criticising the production of ethical, political, aesthetic and epistemological *doxa* around us. As Södertörn University does not have degree-awarding powers in Rhetoric at third-cycle level, these doctoral studentships are being announced **in collaboration with Uppsala University**. For more information on Rhetoric at Södertörn University, please see our website at www.sh.se.

# Description of doctoral studentship obligations

The doctoral student shall pursue research and education in Rhetoric. The doctoral student who is awarded a doctoral studentship must attend seminars, third-cycle courses and compose a piece of substantial independent work (doctoral thesis). The doctoral thesis must give evidence of the doctoral student's ability independently to apply scientific methods when dealing with a research topic.

### Terms of employment

Doctoral studentships are tied to employment at Södertörn University. However, admission is to Uppsala University. Doctoral students are accordingly offered full-time employment for a period of up to four years, in accordance with the regulations of the Higher Education Ordinance, Chapter 5, Sections 1-7. The first day of employment is **1 September 2012**. The place of work is the university campus in Flemingsberg.

### Admission regulations

In order to qualify for a doctoral studentship, you must submit your application by **1 March 2012**. You must also satisfy the following:

- General entry requirements.
- Specific entry requirements.

For more details about general and specific entry requirements, and selection criteria, please read the admission regulations and the general syllabus before you submit your application. You can find links to these documents on our website, or go to **www.uu.se**.

### How to apply

Send **four (4) copies** of the application and the documents and publications you wish to cite to the following address:

Södertörn University Registrator (reference number 86/22/2012) SE-141 89 Huddinge, SWEDEN Incomplete applications will not be processed. Please note that one copy of everything submitted in association with your application will be kept on file at Södertörn University for two years after the post has been filled, in accordance with a directive from the Swedish National Archives.

Please note that your application must reach Södertörn University by 1 March 2012.

# The application must include:

- A correct and completed application form.
- Degree certificate and certificates that demonstrate eligibility to apply for the position.
- CV with details of prior studies, employment and assignments.

• Degree essay or dissertation at Bachelor's and Master's levels in the discipline for which you are applying, or the equivalent. If these are not written in Swedish, Norwegian, Danish or English, a summary of 5-6 pages (approx 14 000 characters) must be enclosed in addition to an original copy of the degree project.

• A research plan/proposal for the doctoral thesis, maximum 5 pages. The relevance of the research in relation to studies on the Baltic Sea area and Eastern Europe should be stated in the research plan. This plan should include formulation of the research problem(s), materials, methods, limitations and research background, as well as a time schedule for the planned work.

• Any publications, maximum 3 printed works. Indicate which of these works you wish to be given primary consideration in the assessment of your application.

Contact details of two referees.

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