

**National Autonomous University of Mexico
Program for Faculty Renewal
Subprogram for Recruiting Young Scholars**

Job opening for project-based researchers¹

The Institute for Social Research at the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM), invites the applications to fill two positions equivalent to full-time Associate Researcher level “C”, for a one-year tenure, thereafter renewable, contingent on satisfactory research performance.

The research theme for this job opening is “Sustainability”, focusing on:

- a) Socio-environmental conflicts and movements.
- b) Sustainability problems in urban and rural contexts.
- c) Territorial transformations and environmental institutions

Candidate’s profile

- * Demonstrated background in Social Science, in any of its disciplines.
- * Strong theoretical and methodological background in the field of knowledge pertaining to the proposed theme.

Requirements

1. PhD degree by the date of application.
2. Women must be under the age of 39, and men under the age of 37, by the start of the job appointment, in accordance with the rules provided in the UNAM Subprogram for Recruiting Young Scholars.²
3. Three years of research experience.
4. Demonstrate a thorough knowledge of the proposed theme, by presenting a paper authored by the candidate (not co-authored) and published in an indexed journal, or two published pieces of academic work on the proposed theme.
5. Demonstrate at least three years of teaching experience at the undergraduate or graduate levels.
6. Written commitment to undertake full-time research at the Institute.

1 This job opening is based on the “Procedure for inviting applications to fill open positions for researchers, within the Subprogram for Recruiting Young Scholars”, approved by the Inner Council of the Institute for Social Research, at its meeting held on March 5, 2019, and modified at its meeting held on September 3, 2019; and the Agreement to enable the procedure for inviting applications to be conducted remotely, approved by the Inner Council on September 22, 2020. These documents are published together with the job opening (available at: <https://www.iis.unam.mx/invitacion-para-contratacion-de-joven-investigadora-por-obra-determinada-sija-en-el-iis-unam-tema-sustentabilidad/>)

2 Section IV, Sub-section 2: “Be under the age of 39 for women, or under the age of 37 for men, by the start of the appointment authorized by the relevant Technical Council (available at <https://www.iis.unam.mx/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/SIJA-Normas-Operacion-160328.pdf>)

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Required information³

1. Job application letter addressed to the Director of the Institute for Social Research, which must include home address, telephone number and email to receive notifications.
2. A two-page cover letter signed by the candidate and addressed to the Director of the Institute for Social Research, outlining the reasons for being interested in this position.
3. Letter addressed to the Director of the Institute for Social Research, expressing commitment to undertake full-time research at the Institute, in accordance with Article 61 of UNAM Statute for Academic Staff.
4. Research project about one of the focus areas of the above-mentioned theme, referring either to the domestic or international sphere, and including a timetable of activities that is feasible to complete in one year⁴. The project must explicitly indicate the selected focus area, including a one-page brief explanation on its relation to the research proposal.
5. Full and updated Curriculum Vitae.
6. Copy of birth certificate.
7. National Identification Number -CURP-, (only for Mexican residents).
8. Copy of academic degrees.
9. Complete copy of the publications referred to in paragraph 4 of the *Requirements* of this invitation. For those publications that cannot be sent via e-mail due to their size, the following information should be sent:
 - a) In the case of books or book chapters, front cover and frontmatter -including title page, copyright page and contents- and if it is available online, DOI or URL.
 - b) In the case of papers, journal front cover, contents, ISSN, DOI.
10. Evidence of teaching experience.
11. Two letters of reference from scholars acquainted with the candidate's work and who can confirm his or her academic background.
12. All documents should be sent via email in optimized PDF format and should be listed in a separate document to verify their complete submission.

Instructions and closing date for application

Interested candidates⁵ should send all required information via email to invitacionesija@sociales.unam.mx. An email acknowledging receipt will be sent within the next 48 hours. The closing date for applications is November 26, 2020 before 23:59hr.

For additional information or questions please contact intercambio@sociales.unam.mx.

Once the process is concluded, the results will be informed through the Institute's *Coordinación de Intercambio y Vinculación*.

³ Incomplete information will not be received.

⁴ The project must adhere to the guidelines published together with this job opening (available at <https://www.iis.unam.mx/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Guia-de-proyectos.pdf>)

⁵ As part of the selection process, candidates may be invited to an interview in order to make an oral presentation of their project.