

PhD General Call Psychology and Behavioural Sciences Autumn 2024

A number of PhD positions are available at the PhD programme in Psychology. You may apply with a freestanding project of your own choice or with a project description that relates to the specific project outlined below. The majority of positions available are intended for freestanding projects.

Applicants should specify in the application whether they are interested in the specific project outlined below.

Applied Research in Education

TrygFonden's Centre for Child Research at BSS, Aarhus University hereby invites application for PhD project proposals within the field of economics of education, education policy, educational psychology or educational science. Successful applicants may be enrolled in one of the PhD programmes in either Economics and Business Economics, Political Science, Psychology or Social Sciences (the cross-disciplinary PhD program at Aarhus BSS). This will depend on the PhD programme they apply through.

The centre's research focuses broadly on early childhood education interventions, learning environment including interaction quality in homes and schools, interventions in schools, with a focus on language skills, reading skills, socioemotional skills and executive functions. Applications will be evaluated by the extent to which they propose new research projects that contributes theoretically and empirically to one or more of five programs: family interventions, teacher-child interactions, development of math skills, and the politico-economic governance of the (early childhood) educational system, and the general effect of educational interventions. Additionally, applicants are evaluated by their documented skills within the social sciences and related fields.

TrygFonden's Centre for Child Research is a multidisciplinary research centre with about 40 research fellows and a research secretariat of about 11 analysts and project managers. The centre aims to promote the learning and wellbeing of children and young people through rigorous empirical research.

For further information about this project, please contact Professor Simon Calmar Andersen, e-mail: sca@ps.au.dk.

Formal requirements

You can read more about how to apply in the [application guide](#) and find the rules and regulations of the PhD education [here](#).

The following criteria are decisive in the assessment of the candidates:

- the applicant's academic qualifications (assessed on the basis of the qualifying degree)
- the quality and relevance of the project proposal
- the applicant's level of academic aptitude and assessed ability to complete the project within the framework of the PhD programme

You can read more about the assessment procedure and committees appointed by the dean [here](#). Please note that for applications to the programme for Psychology and Behavioural Science, the criteria for assessment are specified [here](#).

Applicants are very much encouraged to supply documentation as to how they rank compared to their class (both Bachelor's and Master's degrees). This may for example be in the form of a letter from your University stating either how you rank as an individual student compared to other students the year you graduated ("ranks as no. 6 out of 111" or "ranks as among the best 8 percent") or if that is not possible, general information from your University as to how grades were distributed in the year of your graduation will be appreciated.

Please note that Aarhus BSS Graduate School reserves the right to evaluate the applications on the basis of the documentation received before deadline, and you will not necessarily be asked for further documentation. Furthermore, Aarhus BSS Graduate School reserves the right to reject application that do not comply with the

Application Deadline:
10 September 2024

Institute/Faculty:
Aarhus BSS

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Vacant positions:
1

Number of months:
36

Hours per week:
37

Expected date of accession:
01/02/2025

limitations as stated in the application guide (see link above).

All interested candidates are encouraged to apply irrespective of personal background.

Terms of enrolment

PhD students at Aarhus BSS Graduate School are always enrolled. The enrolment happens in accordance with the Ministerial PhD Order no. 1039 of August 27, 2013 and the terms stated in the Rules and Regulations for the PhD programmes at Aarhus BSS Graduate School. Both can be found [here](#).

If you are enrolled in part A of the 4- or 5-year schemes you will receive a SU PhD Scholarship according to the rules set out in the [State Educational Grant and Loan Scheme](#) (SU). In addition, you will be offered to undertake paid work of up to 280 hours during your part A enrolment period.

Terms of employment

If you are offered employment at Aarhus University in connection with enrolment in the 3-year scheme, the appointment is made in accordance with [the Memorandum on Job Structure for Academic Staff at Danish Universities](#) as well as the circular on the [Collective Agreement for Academics Employed by the State \(in Danish\)](#). The job content and qualification requirements are described in further detail in [the Ministerial Order on the Appointment of Academic Staff at Universities](#).

You can read more about the 3-, 4- and 5-year scheme [here](#).

Aarhus University

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