

**THE FINNISH DOCTORAL PROGRAMME IN EDUCATION AND LEARNING (FiDPEL)**  
is seeking candidates for

## 10 DOCTORAL STUDENT POSITIONS

The doctoral programme is financed by the Finnish Ministry of Education and Culture and the Academy of Finland. The duration of the doctoral programme is four years, starting from January 1st, 2012. Individual periods of doctoral student positions are determined on the basis of the stage of PhD research and the allowance available to the doctoral programme. The positions are placed at several universities in Finland. The salary will be based on the job demands chart for teaching and research staff and on the system of personal work performance in the salary system for universities. Doctoral students of FiDPEL can study their doctoral studies at all those Finnish universities which are involved in FiDPEL (Universities of Eastern Finland, Helsinki, Jyväskylä, Tampere, Turku and Oulu).

The doctoral programme is a multidisciplinary consortium that is divided into the following four subprogrammes. The descriptions of the subprogrammes and more information of the FiDPEL are available at <http://edu.utu.fi/sivustot/kasva/en/>.

### 1. Subprogramme of Comparative Research on Educational Policy, Economy and Assessment (CREPEA)

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### 2. Subprogramme on Developmental Work Research and Adult Education (DWRAE)

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### 3. Subprogramme on Education, Knowledge and Culture (EKC)

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<http://www.uef.fi/yhteiskuntatieteet/professorit-joensuu> EKC's online applications to minna.paronen(at)uef.fi

### 4. Subprogramme on Learning, Learning Contexts and Teacher Education (LCTE)

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The applicants may apply to one or two subprogrammes. They are asked to indicate the first- and second-preference programme in the application. Incomplete or late applications are not taken into consideration. Assessment of applications will prioritise especially the level of erudition demonstrated in research proposals as well as the applicant's competence and other qualifications.

## Documents required for the application are:

- letter of application (in free form)
- research plan (max. 5 pages)
- description of how the research plan relates to the subprogram applied to and possibly to its existing research projects
- officially certified copy of the diploma of a higher university degree at Master's level in the domain relevant to the subprogram in the original language and an official translation into English (if not in Finnish)
- when applicable: a registration certificate from the Finnish university where the applicant has been admitted to study for a doctoral degree in a field relevant to the doctoral programme
- list of qualifications (curriculum vitae) including work experience
- list of publications
- name and contact details of a possible referee
- international applicants whose native language is not English are required to submit certification of the language skills in one of the following ways:
  - a) by passing the test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) with a minimum score of 575 on the paper based test (PBT) or 90 on the internet based test (IBT).
  - b) by passing the International English Language Testing Service (IELTS) with an overall band score of 6.5 and no individual score below 5.5.
  - c) by passing the Cambridge ESOL's Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE) with pass grade A, B or C.
  - d) by passing the Cambridge ESOL's Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) with pass grades A, B, or C.
  - e) by passing the test for the National Certificate of Language Proficiency in English set by the Finnish National Board of Education with an average score of 5 (new proficiency scale, levels 16; corresponding to level 7 on the original proficiency scale, levels 19).
  - f) with a Bachelor's degree or an equivalent degree done in English in Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, the United Kingdom or the United States.
  - g) with studies conducted in English (min. 20 ECTS) at a Finnish University.

## Application with attachments must be sent by 7 October 2011 at 3.45 pm (local time in Finland):

- *in three signed paper copies* to the subprogramme or subprogrammes that the applicant is applying to (to addresses listed above) AND
- *in electronic form by email* to the subprogramme or subprogrammes that the applicant is applying to (to emails listed above) and [sanna.niukko@utu.fi](mailto:sanna.niukko@utu.fi). The electronic application should be submitted by e-mail as a single PDF-file that contains all the supplements in the order mentioned above (there are free tools in the Internet for combining different PDF documents, see eg. [PDFTools](#)). Use your family and first name as the file name.
- IN ADDITION to above, the applicants should fill in a Webropol questionnaire about the basic information of the application in <https://www.webropol.com/P.aspx?id=555644&cid=124412631>

Possible letters of recommendation in English, Finnish or Swedish must be sent by the referee to the subprogramme/subprogrammes (see addresses above). Candidates will be personally informed of the admittance to FiDPEL by the end of November, 2011.

This announcement is available in Finnish at <http://www.edu.utu.fi/sivustot/kasva/haku/>

