Dietrich School Diversity Postdoctoral Fellowship
Human Rights and Cities: Linking Local and Global

The University of Pittsburgh’s Kenneth P. Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences invites applications for a two-year postdoctoral fellowship in the Department of Sociology centered on Human Rights and Cities: Linking Local and Global, beginning in August 2018. We welcome applicants who will advance educational and research initiatives related to human rights in urban contexts. We especially are interested in applications from scholars whose research and practice contribute to comparative understandings of urban politics and conflicts, appreciation of how global forces shape local conflicts and urban political processes, and innovations in teaching and community-based research and learning that enhance the intellectual and cultural diversity of student experiences. Particular research areas may include, for instance, urban politics and conflicts, racial and economic dynamics in urban politics and resource allocation, cultural dimensions of cities and urban struggles, globalization and urban sustainability/resilience. Scholars with a degree in sociology, urban studies, or related disciplines that have strong sociological foundations are encouraged to apply. The successful applicant will have rich opportunities for multidisciplinary engagement through Pitt’s Humanities Center, World History Center, Global Studies Center, Urban Studies Program, and its multidisciplinary Human Rights Working Group.

Applicants must have satisfactorily completed all requirements for the PhD degree, including any oral defense, by March 1, 2018. Individuals who completed all such requirements before June 1, 2016 are ineligible. For more information about the fellowship program and to apply, visit: https://www.as.pitt.edu/postdoctoral-fellowship-program. To be considered, please submit by February 16, 2018, via https://pats.as.pitt.edu/apply/index/MTI3: curriculum vitae; dissertation table of contents; two-page statement of research interests outlining the goals of the research you will undertake during the term of the fellowship; two-page statement of teaching interests and philosophy; one-to-two-page diversity statement, discussing how your past, planned, or potential contributions or experiences relating to diversity, equity, and inclusion will advance the University of Pittsburgh’s commitment to inclusive excellence; one writing sample or excerpt of no more than 20 pages including references and appendices; one proposed syllabus for a 15-week course directed towards advanced undergraduate or graduate students; and email contacts for three recommenders. For each reference, you will have the opportunity to input a personal email address or an email address generated through Interfolio’s Online Application Delivery. In either case, an email notification will be sent to the designated address with instructions for uploading letters to our system by February 23, 2018.

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