

Fall 2017 VCDNP Post-Doctoral/Sabbatical Fellowships

Fellowship Description

The Vienna Center for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation (VCDNP), an international non-governmental organization based in Vienna, Austria, was opened in spring 2011. Its mission is to facilitate result-oriented dialogue among national governments, international organizations, and civil society on nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation and to conduct research, education and training programs on these issues. The VCDNP is managed by the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies (CNS) at the Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey.

The VCDNP invites applications for its postdoctoral/sabbatical fellowship programme. During his/her year in residence, the fellow will be expected to: (1) deliver on a research plan for publication of a significant work in the field of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation, or related field, to be submitted in draft form along with the application; and (2) contribute to ongoing research and programmatic activities at the VCDNP. The research plan should include completion of at least two research articles for peer reviewed journals along with other research output.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

- Conduct a research project in the area of nuclear disarmament and/or non-proliferation, or a related topic, and publish/prepare a substantial manuscript for publication.
- Publish shorter articles on non-proliferation and/or disarmament issues.
- Give lectures and briefings on disarmament and non-proliferation topics to practitioners participating in the VCDNP programmes, visitors to the Center, interns and other audiences as necessary.
- Assist with ongoing projects at the Center and generate ideas for future research funding.
- Present research results at conferences and workshops.

Other Duties

- Perform other related duties as mutually agreed upon.

Requirements

The search is open in regard to topic and region, as long as the proposed research is related to nuclear disarmament and/or non-proliferation. Special consideration will be given to research related to the major international organizations in Vienna.

Excellent writing and analytical skills are a requisite, as is English language proficiency.

The Ph.D. must be in hand before arrival for post-doctoral candidates. However, a pre-doctoral fellowship for advanced Ph.D. students may also be considered. Faculty and researchers on sabbatical with a Ph.D. or equivalent are welcome to apply.

Deadlines, Duration and Additional Information

Duration: This is a 9 to 12-month position that requires physical presence in Vienna, Austria.

Remuneration: Subject to negotiation

Application Deadline: Preference will be given to applications received prior to 15 August 2017

Appointment Date: The selected candidate is expected to start in the fall of 2017. A later start date is also possible upon negotiation. An extension of the appointment is conceivable subject to performance and the availability of external funding.

Physical Effort/Environment

The VCDNP maintains a smoke-free and drug-free workplace. The position requires light to moderate physical effort and the ability to work at a computer for extended periods of time.

Application Instructions

To apply, please submit a resume or curriculum vitae, a cover letter, a 3 to 5 page research project proposal and implementation plan, 2 references and at least 1 writing sample/publication, along with other supporting documents you wish to include. Please note that application materials must be sent electronically to: info@vcdnp.org.