

ACADEMIC JOB OPPORTUNITY FIXED-TERM VISITING SCHOLAR IN ECONOMICS

UNIVERSITY: University of French Polynesia (9840349G)	
LOCATION: Campus d'Outumaoro – Punaauia – Tahiti – FRENCH POLYNESIA	
CATEGORY: Visiting Scholar in Economics	DISCIPLINE : Economics
DEPARTMENT: Law, Economics and Management	
APPOINTMENT TYPE: Fixed-term contract (up to twelve months)	
SALARY RANGE: Competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience	

Job profile

Presentation of the institution: The University of French Polynesia, UPF, is a higher education and research institution under the authority of the French Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation. The university occupies a unique place in the development of French Polynesia, an overseas territory in the heart of the South Pacific, and carries out its missions of higher education, research, and development in this territory and beyond, as a leader of the local education policy. Its strategy in terms of training and access to education, research, development and innovation, resonates with the challenges facing Polynesia (remoteness, multi-insularity, small size of its economy, climate change, energy transition ...). UPF is engaged in a structural transformation involving the French State and French Polynesia, which invests resources that have an impact on Polynesian development. It also brings together its entire ecosystem on the territory, including research organizations (CNRS, IFREMER, IRD), socio-economic actors, and also its partners in the Polynesian triangle, with the aim of internationalization, which will eventually lead to a multilingual university rooted in Polynesian cultural heritage. By strengthening its connection with its territory and its Oceanian environment, the UPF is a key player in the development of French Polynesia. The university's Narua strategy also aims to strengthen its partnership with universities in the Pacific.

Department Overview: The visiting scholar position is in the Department of Law, Economics, and Management, which has around 1,000 students and 18 academics.

Teaching activities:

The successful candidate will be expected to teach courses in advanced microeconomics and development economics, in French or English. Preference will be given to candidates who can also teach in the fields of tourism and environmental economics. Prior teaching experience in the Pacific region is considered an asset. The annual teaching load varies between 128 and 192 hours of student contact, depending on the type of teaching provided (lectures or tutorials). Short-term contracts may also be available, requiring a minimum commitment of three months. The academic year at UPF runs from mid-August to the end of June.

Research activities:

The successful candidate will also be expected to contribute to certain research activities of the Governance and Island Development (GDI) laboratory and/or its Centre for Tourism Studies in Oceania and the Pacific (CETOP). The GDI laboratory focuses on two main areas: "Governance, norms and institutions" and "Development strategies for island economies". CETOP focuses specifically on the study of tourism in French Polynesia, Oceania and, more broadly, the Pacific region. Preference will be given to candidates with demonstrated research expertise in tourism economics and sustainable development.

Eligibility criteria:

This call for applications is open to scholars who hold a doctorate (Ph.D) in economics, and who reside outside France and French Polynesia. Candidates must have solid teaching experience in the above-mentioned fields and an excellent research record. The quality of their work should be evidenced by publications in leading international journals.

Application deadline: Tuesday 7 January 2025

Candidates are invited to submit an application file that includes:

- a cover letter
- a detailed curriculum vitae that includes the candidate's academic and professional background as well as (his/her) country of citizenship and permanent address.
- evidence of university degrees

This file must be sent by e-mail to drh.recrutements@upf.pf, vincent.dropsy@upf.pf, damien.mourey@upf.pf by Tuesday 7 January 2025

Interviews with the selected candidate(s) will be conducted via Zoom at the end of January 2025.

For more information about this visiting post, please contact:

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