

# Assistant Professor in Economic History

Company:

**University of Southern Denmark**

Location:

**Denmark / Odense**

Discipline:

**Economic History**

Employment Type:

**Permanent Full-time**

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## Assistant professor in Economic History

The Department of Economics at the University of Southern Denmark in Odense, Denmark, invites applications for a three-year position as assistant professor.

Part of the position is linked to the project 'Private Foundations: Shaping Leadership in Medical Innovation and Addressing Inequalities in Health' funded by the Carlsberg Foundation and led by Associate Professor [Anthony Wray](#). Digitization of physician biographies and other historical records using large language models (LLMs) will be an integrated part of the project, hence knowledge, skills, and interest in this area will be an advantage.

The starting date is flexible, but we hope to welcome our new colleague on 1 September 2025.

### Job description

The Department of Economics is an international department with a strong tradition for excellence in research and teaching within the various areas of economics. The research, teaching, and dissemination activities at the department are organized within four groups: Econometrics and Data Science; Economic History; Macroeconomics; and Microeconomics. A more elaborated description of the department and the groups can be found on [the department website](#).

It is the aim of the department to conduct research of the highest international standard documented through 1) publications in internationally distinguished journals, 2) presentations at international conferences, 3) external funding from competitive programs and 4) dissemination with high visibility and broad societal impact.

The department emphasizes high-quality research-based teaching using the most relevant teaching methods to enhance students' learning and the department explicitly articulates our view on studying economics at SDU, which can be read [here](#).

The department is responsible for the undergraduate as well as the graduate programmes in Economics and Mathematics-Economics at campus Odense. Also, the department is responsible for economics courses at different campuses at the University of Southern Denmark with activities in Odense, Sønderborg, and Slagelse. The research activities (and the workplace) are situated in Odense.

It is important for the department that applicants have good interpersonal skills and are dedicated to take part in the daily academic and social interaction of the research groups and at the department.

The assistant professor will be part of the [Economic History](#) group and will be affiliated to the Historical Economics and Development Group. The Historical Economics and Development Group ([HEDG](#)) focuses on research in Economic History with a strong quantitative focus. HEDG is internationally acknowledged as a leading research group and attracts substantial grants and media coverage, as well as publishing books and articles with top outlets.

The candidate will join an international team of researchers and will be involved in a research project on private investments and innovation in healthcare in the US during the early 20th century. For more information see [this link](#).

The successful candidate is expected to contribute to the Carlsberg funded research project and support the development of a research team at HEDG, led by [Anthony Wray](#), involving Assistant Professor Sophie Li, a newly hired PhD student, and research assistants.

Further information about the position can be obtained from Anthony Wray, e-mail: [wray@sam.sdu.dk](mailto:wray@sam.sdu.dk).

For general questions regarding housing, taxes, etc., the SDU's International Staff Office can assist - see [link](#).

### **Application, salary, etc.**

The successful applicant will be employed in accordance with the agreement between the Ministry of Finance and AC (the Danish Confederation of Professional Associations). Please check links for more information about [salary](#) and [taxation](#).

To qualify for the position of Assistant Professor, you must either have obtained a PhD

degree by the application deadline or be able to provide documentation, such as a letter from your supervisor, indicating that you expect to have completed your PhD studies by July 1st, 2025.

An application must include:

- Motivation letter
- Detailed Curriculum Vitae
- Copy of important certificates/diplomas
- Teaching portfolio (please see below)
- Complete list of publications, indicating which publications are most relevant for the position
- Up to five of the most relevant publications. Please attach one pdf-file for each publication. **NOTE:** If publications have been co-authored, co-author statements must be a part of this pdf and must include information like in this [example](#). The statement is just for your inspiration
  - Please attach the PhD dissertation as a publication if such exists

**The application deadline is June 1, 2025.**

Furthermore, applicants applying for an assistant professorship are requested to submit a teaching portfolio with the application as documentation for teaching experience as well as supervision qualifications. Formal application instructions and guide for teaching portfolio may be found [here](#).

Application and all appendices must be in English. Only applications written in English will be accepted for evaluation.

To English speaking applicants: Please make sure to enter the electronic application form via the English website to receive further information in English.

We only accept files in pdf-format no more than 10 MB per file. In case you have more than one file per field you need to combine the pdf-files into a single file, as each field handles only one file. We do not accept zip-files, jpg or other image files. All pdf-files must be unlocked and allow binding and may not be password protected.

Applications will be assessed by an assessment committee. Shortlisting may be used. Interviews and tests might be part of the selection process. Information on the Department's Appointment Guidelines can be found [here](#).

When the assessment committee has submitted its report, the applicant will receive the part of the evaluation that concerns him/her.

Applications received after the deadline will neither be considered nor evaluated.

Documents should not contain a CPR number (civil registration number) – in this case, the CPR number must be crossed out.

Applications should be sent electronically via the link "apply online". The faculty expects applicants to read the information [How to apply](#) before applying.

If you experience technical problems, you must contact [hcm-support@sdu.dk](mailto:hcm-support@sdu.dk).

We recommend that as an international applicant you take the time to visit [Work in Denmark](#) where you will find information and facts about moving to, working and living in Denmark, as well as [the International Staff Office at SDU](#).

SDU wish our staff to reflect the diversity of society and thus welcome applications from all qualified candidates regardless of personal background.

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