TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

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Required Assistant Professor (One Post) on a Contract Basis for TISS- Guwahati Off Campus

The Tata Institute of Social Sciences (www.tiss.ac.in), established in the year 1936 is a Deemed to be University, under Section 3 of the UGC Act 1956, a grant-in-aid Institute under Ministry of Education, Government of India. TISS is a Grade I University as per NAAC assessment 2024. With four campuses at Mumbai (main campus), Tuljapur (rural campus), Guwahati and Hyderabad, TISS currently offers 05 Undergraduate programmes, 52 Masters' Degree programmes and 21 Ph.D. programmes in a range of socially relevant inter-disciplinary areas of applied Social Sciences including 28 Bachelor of Vocational degree programmes.

Freedom and autonomy shape the positive work ethos and culture of the Institute and facilitate strong linkages between teaching, research, field action and policy engagement. The Institute encourages and supports researchers to engage in foundational, applied, field and action-oriented research, and nurtures research collaborations nationally and internationally, with a commitment to creating a just society through education, generation of knowledge and field action initiatives.

The Guwahati Campus offers academic programmes viz., B.A, M.A. and Ph. D Programmes. The programmes focus on humanistic aspects of Social Sciences blended with logical reasoning of the natural sciences, with a combined emphasis on the faculties of imagination and creativity as well as of rigorous and critical thinking.

The TISS Guwahati Campus invites applications for one post of **Assistant Professor in Sociology** for Centre for Undergraduate Studies to be filled on a contract basis initially for a period till March 31, 2027 and may be extended based on the performance of the candidate and the requirements of the Institute:

Eligibility Criteria:

Educational Qualification: Eligibility (A or B):

A.

i) A Master's degree with 55% marks (or an equivalent grade in a point-scale wherever the grading system is followed) **in Sociology** from an Indian University, or an equivalent degree from an accredited foreign university.

ii) Besides fulfilling the above qualifications, the candidate must have cleared the National Eligibility Test (NET) conducted by the UGC or the CSIR, or a similar test accredited by the UGC, like SLET/SET or who are or have been awarded a PhD degree in accordance with the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2009 or 2016 and their amendments from time to time as the case may be exempted from NET/SLET/SET:

Provided, the candidates registered for the Ph.D. programme prior to July 11, 2009, shall be governed by the provisions of the then existing Ordinances/Bye-laws/Regulations of the Institution awarding the degree and such Ph.D. candidates shall be exempted from the requirement of NET/SLET/SET for recruitment and appointment of 'Assistant Professor' subject to the or equivalent positions in Universities/Colleges/Institutions fulfilment of the following conditions:-

i. The Ph.D. degree of the candidate has been awarded in a regular mode;
ii. The Ph.D. thesis has been evaluated by at least two external examiners;
iii. An open Ph.D. viva voce of the candidate has been conducted;
iv. The Candidate has published two research papers from his/her Ph.D. work, out of which at least one is in a refereed journal;
v. The Candidate has presented at least two papers based on his/her Ph.D. work in conferences/seminars sponsored/funded/supported by the UGC/ICSSR/CSIR or any similar agency.

The fulfilment of these conditions is to be certified by the Registrar or the Dean (Academic Affairs) of the University concerned.

Note: NET/SLET/SET shall also not be required for such Masters Programmes in disciplines for which NET/SLET/SET is not conducted by the UGC, CSIR or similar test accredited by the UGC, like SLET/SET.

OR

B. The Ph.D. degree has been obtained from a foreign university/institution with a ranking among top 500 in the World University Ranking (at any time) by any one of the following:

i. Quacquarelli Symonds (QS)
ii. the Times Higher Education (THE) or
iii. the Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU) of the Shanghai Jiao Tong University (Shanghai).

Desirable Qualifications:

i. Ability to teach papers related to Introduction to Sociology, Indian Society, Society and Polity, Urban Sociology and Research Methodology.
ii. Preference will be given to candidates with a PhD in the relevant field and two or more years of teaching experience.
iii. Experience of research on Northeast India and its transnational neighbourhood.
iv. Ability to teach inter-disciplinary courses across schools/centres at the Institute.

v. Good research and publication track record in peer-reviewed, national and international journals.
vi. Ability to supervise Bachelor's and Master's students.
vii. Excellent communication skills, with an ability to relate to and engage with faculty and students.
viii. Ability to work on projects and with interdisciplinary teams.

Remuneration: Entry pay of Rs. 57700/- in the Academic Pay level 10 as per 7th CPC

Other Conditions:

i. The Institute reserves the right to relax qualifications of the candidate based on the work experience and to relax age in the case of persons already holding comparable positions in a University/Research Institution of repute.
ii. The Institute reserves the right to invite persons for interview who may not have applied for as per the above procedure and not fill up the vacancy advertised.
iii. Since applications received may be shortlisted, merely possessing the prescribed qualifications and the requisite experience would not entitle a person to be called for interview.
iv. The post is unreserved, but candidates belonging to reserved category can apply.
v. No queries or correspondence regarding issue of call letter for interview/selection of candidates for the post will be entertained at any stage and canvassing in any form is strictly prohibited and will lead to the candidate being debarred from consideration for the post.
vi. The candidate under employment must bring 'No Objection Certificate' from their employer to appear for presentation/interview.
vii. No TA/DA is payable for appearing for the interview.
viii. The Offline interview will take place at Guwahati Campus in the third week of September 2026.
ix. In case of any inadvertent error in the advertisement and in the process of recruitment, which may be detected at any stage, even after issue of appointment order, the Institute reserves the right to modify/withdraw/cancel any communication made to the candidate(s).

Last date of receipt of online application: 16 September 2026

Application Fee: Application Fee of Rs 1000/- to be paid online. Application fee for SC/ST/PWD candidates will be Rs 250/- if they attach the required Certificate with the online application form. Women applicants are exempted from paying application fees. The application will be valid only on receipt of the application fee, if applicable. Fees once paid shall not be refunded under any circumstances.

The candidates are requested to apply online through the link **(Apply Now)** provided along with this advertisement on the Institute's website at www.tiss.ac.in.

The candidates are requested to take a print of the acknowledgement of the online application and keep it for future reference.

Interview: Eligible candidates will be communicated by email to appear for the presentation and interview to be conducted at TISS, Guwahati.

Verification of Documents: The shortlisted candidates are required to send scanned copies of their coloured passport-size photographs and self-attested photocopies of relevant certificates in support of the essential qualifications and experience. Original certificates will be verified only for the selected candidate at the time of appointment.

Note: The selected candidate would be required to join within 10-15 days of selection and will be stationed at Guwahati.

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Registrar (Officiating)