

Postdoctoral Researcher in Interdisciplinary Product
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Aalto University

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Department	T210 Design Factory
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Job Description

Aalto Design Factory is an interdisciplinary hub for collaborative product development education, research and practice, bringing together diverse stakeholders. We explore novel formats and insights on practices in development collaboration and interdisciplinary education for innovation through teaching, research, and development projects. Located in Espoo, Finland, the Design Factory is part of Aalto University and the Design Factory Global Network.

Postdoctoral Researcher in Interdisciplinary Product Design and Education (Fixed Term)

We are seeking a Postdoctoral Researcher (100%) fixed-term position to join our academic operations at the Design Factory (adf.fi) until December 2026, starting from April 2025 or as soon as possible. You

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will join a multidisciplinary research and teaching team focusing on product development collaboration and scaffolding interdisciplinary education globally in this realm. The role will include conducting research as a part of ongoing research projects at the Design Factory on advancing new ideas, co-teaching in our course offering, as well as interacting with the global educational network, the DFGN (dfgn.org).

What We Offer

The Postdoctoral Researcher will play a key role in advancing research and teaching activities within the team around global collaboration in product design and interdisciplinary product development education. As part of a collaborative research and teaching team, your responsibilities will include: * Conducting qualitative research, including stakeholder interviews, surveys, and data analysis related to research activities within the team. * Actively engaging in teaching activities, including lectures, seminars, and advising students. * Working with the global network team to connect research, teaching and development activities * Contributing to project publications and journal articles. * Supervising and mentoring students working on related projects.

The Design Factory offers a diverse community of experts from different disciplines, ranging from engineers, designers and social scientists to educational and organizational scholars. Many employees come from multidisciplinary and multi-career backgrounds, combining capabilities in several different fields. Our unit has approximately 30 employees from around the world, and our working language is English.

As an employer, Aalto University offers excellent learning and professional development opportunities, along with a range of employee benefits, including occupational health care services, diverse exercise programs, and access to staff development initiatives. The salary for postdoctoral researchers in Aalto University School of Engineering (under which the Design Factory operates) is approximately 4000 euros per month before taxes.

Your Experience and Ambitions * A completed doctorate in a relevant field (e.g., management, design, engineering, or another relevant field) and experience in publishing in international peer-reviewed journals * Excellent skills in qualitative research, with experience in interdisciplinary research preferred. * An interest in product development, global collaboration and innovation, with research, teaching or industry experience in these areas preferred. * An interest in teaching and development activities, with demonstrated experience considered a merit. * Proven ability to work collaboratively within a team. * Fluency in English both spoken and written. Skills in the national languages (Finnish and Swedish) are considered a merit, but are not required.

Recruitment Process

Please submit a one-page motivation letter, your CV (including any research, teaching and/or industry

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experience) and your publication list via Workday by March 2nd, 2025 at 23:59 Finnish time (UTC +2).

We are following a two-phase interviewing process in this position. Applications will be screened as they come in, with select candidates being invited to record answers to a video interview through Recright. Based on the video interviews, the final shortlisted candidates will be invited to an onsite or online interview mid-March.

Please note: Aalto University's employees and visitors should apply for the position via our internal HR system Workday (Internal Jobs) by using their existing Workday user account (not via the external webpage for open positions). Aalto University's students and visitors should apply as external candidates with personal (not aalto) email.

Aalto University reserves the right to leave the position open, extend the application period, reopen the application process, and consider candidates who have not submitted applications during the application period.

For more Information

For further inquiries about the position, please contact Dr Vikki Eriksson at [url=mailto:vikki.eriksson@aalto.fi]vikki.eriksson@aalto.fi For questions related to the recruitment system, please contact [url=mailto:paula.thomsson-leva@aalto.fi]paula.thomsson-leva@aalto.fi

We look forward to receiving your application!

About Aalto University

Aalto University is where science and art meet technology and business. We shape a sustainable future by making research breakthroughs in and across our disciplines, sparking the game changers of tomorrow and creating novel solutions to major global challenges. Our community is made up of over 13,000 students, 400 professors and more than 4,000 other faculty and staff working on our dynamic campus in Espoo, Greater Helsinki, Finland.

Diversity is part of who we are. We actively work for a caring and inclusive working culture where everyone can feel safe and welcome. Our environment is multicultural, widely English-speaking and its easy to settle in, wherever you come from. 48% of our academic faculty comes from outside of Finland. At Aalto, high-quality research, art, education and entrepreneurship are promoted hand in hand. Disciplinary excellence is combined with multidisciplinary activities, engaging both students and the local innovation ecosystem. Our main campus has developed into an open collaboration hub that encourages encounters between students, researchers, industry, startups and other partners. Aalto

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keeps-top-spot-as-happiest-country-in-world/. For more information about living in Finland:

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