

## **Seoul National University BK21 Plus Employment Opportunity Announcement** *“Young Scholars in Science Education”*

The BK21 Plus Project “Together Science Education for the Future (TOSEF)” at Seoul National University (SNU) invites applicants for several new (non-tenure track) Assistant Professor and Postdoctoral Researcher positions. TOSEF is a newly funded project by the Korea National Research Foundation with a goal of improving science teaching, learning, research and scholarship. We are recruiting “young scholars” to support this initiative.

Contracts for the two types of position can begin in early March 2016. Contracts are renewable annually contingent upon positive annual reviews for teaching and scholarship productivity.

### **Planning and Research Personnel recruitment for two position types:**

- BK21 Plus appointed Assistant Professor (non-tenure track), and
- Postdoctoral Researcher

### **Employment and Working Conditions:**

Assistant Professor and Postdoctoral Researchers in Science Education

- Employees are expected to work full-time for 40 hours a week
- Employees have the option to teach up to 6 credits of class per week (two courses per semester) for additional salary. However, this option cannot be guaranteed, as it is contingent upon the need for courses to be offered.

### **Salary and Expected Appointment Date:**

Salary will be calculated based on the candidate’s experience.

- The average salary is expected to be between \$2,000-2,500 USD per month.
- Candidates are expected to begin a one-year contract starting early March 2016 or later.

### **Eligibility Requirements (*positions are open to international and domestic candidates*).**

*Assistant Professor* must hold a PhD in Science Education (or related field) and should have more than three years of experience as a researcher and/or teacher educator. Having post-doctoral research experience, or experience conducting professional development for teachers or developing and teaching courses for teachers is desirable. The position is a non-tenure track academic position that is renewable as a yearly contract.

*Postdoctoral researcher* should hold a PhD in Science Education (or related field) or is expected to graduate with a PhD before the end of February 2016.

### **All candidates**

- should be eligible to travel abroad to attend conferences and conduct research.
- must have strong English language communication skills and be able to effectively write and publish in SSCI ranked journals.

### **Responsibilities**

Candidates will work to promote education, research and evaluation activities for the project. Candidates are expected to meet the following expectations:

- Assistant professors are expected to publish no less than 2 papers per year.
- Postdoctoral researchers are expected to publish at least 1.5 papers per year.
- In addition, candidates for both positions are expected to complete a variety of administrative tasks for the project.

### **Application Procedure**

- Candidates can begin to submit application materials from 1.27.2016.
- Closing date for application materials 02.12.2016 (by 18:00)
- The committee will review the materials and qualified candidates will be contacted for an interview in late-February.

### **Documents Needed from Candidate (1 pdf copy of each of the following)**

1. Completed application form (see attached)
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. Written statement describing your education background, research interests, and your plans to contribute to the research project (1-2 pages)
4. Candidates are encouraged to submit examples of research publications from the past five years. If the publications include a thesis, book, or extensive report, please prepare a shortened abstract. For thesis, the abstract can include a table of contents and an executive summary of the research (1-10 pages).
5. Degree transcripts are required (English translations are needed for any transcripts written in a language other than Korean or English). (Unofficial versions can be submitted at the time of application, but official documents will be required if candidates are short-listed for an interview.)

### **Recommendation letters (sent separately)**

1. Please have one or more referees send letters of recommendation speaking about your research, teaching, and service to the following email address [bk21plussnuse@gmail.com](mailto:bk21plussnuse@gmail.com)
2. Please make sure the person sending the recommendation uses the subject line heading: *BK21 Plus TOSEF\_Reference for [insert candidate first and last name]*
3. We will send a confirmation email to the referee and to the candidate once we have received all materials.

If you have any questions, please send an email to the BK21 Plus Project Director, Professor Jinwoong Song at [bk21plussnuse@gmail.com](mailto:bk21plussnuse@gmail.com)