



TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
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Application invited for two positions of Assistant Professor- (1) Economics- Regulatory and Financial Economics (One Post), and (2) Environment, Climate and Sustainability Studies (one post) on a one-year contract basis for the School of Habitat Studies, TISS Mumbai

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), Hyderabad, Guwahati and Tuljapur (rural campus), 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 it also nurtures research collaborations nationally and internationally, with a commitment to creating a just society through education, generation of knowledge and field action initiatives.

The School of Habitat Studies focuses on addressing society's knowledge needs in the habitat sector. It draws from the interdisciplinary fields of habitat studies, governance, economics, environmental science, the social sciences, engineering, architecture, and management. The key agenda of the School involves the creation, dissemination, and application of relevant and useful knowledge about the planning, design, development, management, regulation, and governance of habitats. The School strives to develop professional capacities in the field of Habitat Studies through academic teaching and professional training that incorporate both social and technical skills through its following four centres:

1. Centre for Urban Policy and Governance (CUPG)
2. Centre for Climate Change and Sustainability Studies (CCSS)
3. Centre for Regulatory Policy and Governance (CRPG)
4. Centre for Water Policy, Regulation and Governance (CWPRG)

The School offers four Master's Degree programmes and conducts its research, capacity-building, advocacy, and analytical work through these Centres.

The school invites applications from interested scholars for **TWO posts of Assistant Professors in (1) Economics, Regulatory and Financial studies (one post) for CRPG, and (2) Environment, Climate and Sustainability Studies (one post) for CCSS**. The position is expected to offer courses in accordance with the Institute's norms and to assist with academic and administrative activities, including publications, seminars, workshops, research coordination, fieldwork, internships, and student mentoring. The position requires the ability to work in interdisciplinary academic environments and to engage with policy-oriented research and institutional processes.

Pay Scale: Assistant Professors (Entry pay of Rs. 57700/- in the Academic Pay level 10 as per 7th CPC)

The position is supported by the TSWT funds and will be on a contractual basis initially for a up to 31 March 2026 with possibility of extension based on review of performance and availability of funds.

Educational Qualification:

Essential 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 (1) economics and related disciplines for the position in CRPG, (2) Environment, Climate, and Sustainability Studies and related disciplines in CCSS from a recognised 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 Ph. D. 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: -

- a) The Ph.D. degree of the candidate has been awarded in a regular mode;
- b) The Ph.D. thesis has been evaluated by at least two external examiners;
- c) An open Ph.D. viva voce of the candidate has been conducted;
- d) The Candidate has published two research papers from his/her Ph.D. work, out of which atleast one is in a refereed journal;
- e) 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 fulfillment 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 the 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 Qualification

(1) For the position of Assistant Professor in CRPG

- Ph.D. in subjects related to economics, preferably with focus on financial economics, public policy or governance. A proven track record of research and teaching in quantitative methods is important.
- The candidate should be able to teach courses related to different fields of economics, like macro-micro economics, regulatory economics, urban economics, quantitative research, financial analysis, regulatory governance and others. Familiarity with subjects such as regulatory policies, economic regulation, public/infrastructure economics, urban policies, natural resource economics, and institutional economics, and their interfaces with societal realities, as well as the preparedness to

work with an interdisciplinary team and to participate in both theory- and field-based teaching, is a must.

- The selected incumbent is expected to teach courses linked to basic economics (macro & micro), regulatory economics, urban economics, financial analysis, quantitative research, sectoral regulation and other related courses for post-graduate students of the following programmes of the School: Regulatory Policy and Governance, Urban Policy and Governance, Climate Change and Sustainability Studies, Water Policy and Governance. Apart from the School-wide contribution, the selected incumbent is expected to focus on research and development of the Regulatory Policy and Governance Programme.

(2) For the Position of Assistant Professor in CCSS

- The candidate should hold a PhD degree in interdisciplinary subjects such as Climate studies, Policy studies, Environmental studies, Energy studies, Development studies and related fields. The candidate should have an excellent academic and publication record.
- The candidate is expected to have some orientation to social sciences and be prepared to teach theory and field-based courses to students coming from varied backgrounds.
- Note that the work profile of the centre is highly interdisciplinary in nature, interconnecting issues of natural science and social sciences. The candidate will have the freedom to explore research and project opportunities in interdisciplinary themes related to the environment, climate change, and sustainability. The candidate should be actively engaged in the centre's teaching and research programme, particularly in climate studies, including the impacts, adaptation, vulnerability, and risk aspects of climate change and climate extremes. The incumbent should be able to teach 2-3 courses per semester, support fieldwork (both urban and rural fieldwork), and should be able to supervise a master's dissertation in the relevant areas. It is expected that the incumbent should have a strong orientation to delivering quality content in courses such as climate science/climate modelling and projections/climate extremes/vulnerability and impact assessment/Energy and climate change/Climate policy mitigation/global environmental governance.

Other Conditions:

- The Institute reserves the right to invite persons for interviews who may not have applied as per the above procedure and not fill up the vacancy advertised.
- Since applications received may be short-listed, merely possessing the prescribed qualifications and the requisite experience would not entitle a person to be called for the interview.
- The post is unreserved, but candidates belonging to the reserved category can apply.
- No queries or correspondence regarding the 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.
- The candidate under employment must produce a 'No Objection Certificate' from their employer to appear for an interview.
- No TA/DA is payable for appearing for the interview.
- In case of any inadvertent error in the advertisement and in the process of recruitment, which may be detected at any stage, even after issuing the appointment order, the Institute reserves the right to modify/withdraw/cancel any communication made to the candidate(s).

Application Process:

- 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 acknowledgment of the online application and keep it for future reference.

Last date of receipt of online application: July 19, 2026.

Interview: The eligible candidates will be communicated by an e-mail to attend the online interview.

Verification of documents: The shortlisted candidates are required to send scanned copies of their coloured passport size photograph, self-attested photocopies of relevant certificates in support of the essential qualification & 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 15 days of selection.

Sd/-

Officiating Registrar