Call for Faculty Applications: One-month visiting opportunity at the Ecole Normale Supérieure de Lyon

Application deadline: February 15, 2017

The French Interdisciplinary Group (FIG) is currently accepting faculty applications to spend a month at the École Normale Supérieure de Lyon (ENS de Lyon) during the academic year 2017-2018. French language skills are helpful but not necessary to apply to the position.

This exchange offers Northwestern faculty a unique opportunity to collaborate with prominent scholars in Literature, Theory, and Philosophy. Of particular relevance are Lyon's highly regarded research groups including the Institut d'Histoire des Représentations et des Idées dans les Modernités (IRHIM) which brings together a group of leading scholars in the history of ideas and representations; Triangle, which specializes in politics and political thought; CIHAM, which studies the history, archaeology, and literature of medieval Christianity and Islam; and the Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches Comparées sur la Création (CERCC), which works primarily on 20th-century and contemporary literature and the arts.

The partnership between NU and ENS Lyon results from FIG's sustained efforts in the past few years to establish an expansive intellectual context for our faculty and students in the humanities. Together with faculty and graduate student exchanges and joint conferences, this partnership has become one of our most significant scholarly endeavors.

By the terms of that program, Northwestern faculty members receive a 130 euros *per diem*. The duties attached to this offer are negotiable, but typically include a couple of presentations on one's research in faculty and/or graduate seminars and/or colloquia.

The visit must take place during a non-teaching quarter, otherwise the timing of the visit is negotiable. FIG will contribute up to \$1,300 toward airfare. Visiting faculty are responsible for the cost of housing (which can vary from 500 to 2,000 euros for a one-month stay). Detailed information on travel documents, accommodations, schools, childcare, and daily life can be found at http://www.espace-ulys.fr/en

Interested candidates should apply to FIG by **February 15, 2017**. FIG will gather the applications and forward them to the ENSL, which will make the final selection. Applications include: (1) a one-page cover letter describing current research projects and linkages with ENS Lyon faculty projects; (2) a one-page proposal for two or three oral presentations; (3) a vita. Preference will be given to candidates who can explain how their visit will advance our long-term sustained partnership with ENS Lyon by, for example, creating some form of joint research collaboration, or some form of joint graduate student training program, etc.

Please send application materials electronically to Marianne Hopman, <u>fig-director@northwestern.edu</u>