



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

EDUFI Finnish-Russian intensive course for PhD students

ARCO-KNOW. ARCTIC RESEARCH: CO-PRODUCTION OF KNOWLEDGE

Rovaniemi, Finland May 20 – 24, 2019

Organized by Arctic Centre, University of Lapland

The proposed intensive course provides a platform for junior and senior scientists to discuss the emerging topic of knowledge co-production. Attention to this issue in research, policymaking, services and public debates is growing, but what counts as co-production and what interaction between science and society should entail in practice remains often unclear. Leading researchers and lecturers from both countries will share their expertise on values of multiple and often conflicting knowledge and discuss options available for the integration of the 'formal' and 'informal' in the Arctic research.

Interdisciplinary and geographical scope of the planned course offers a possibility to gain more complex picture of the issue in the comparative context. The planned PhD course will be facilitated by combining the researchers' and practitioners' expertise, intensity of the teaching and by creating an optimal frame for knowledge exchange between senior and junior scholars. The course will include different types of interactivity: 'visual thinking' workshop, exercises in the science exhibition of the Arctic Centre, and visit at Korvala's inn.

The following topics will be covered:

- Research ethics: Formalizing the informal
- Researchers-community interaction
- Ways of knowledge sharing
- Knowledge 'repatriation'
- Co-productive process and its 'products'

Expected learning outcomes:

- to describe in created blog entries the best practices in the co-production of knowledge in Arctic social sciences and in one's own field
- to discuss the forms that co-production can take and what can emerge out of co-productive process
- to apply acquired skills in 'translation' of a scientific knowledge in a meaningful way for the societal outreach
- to evaluate critically forms of collaboration between researchers and local communities
- to use research ethics principles to strengthen a research capacity among the Arctic communities

Entry requirements:

PhD students accepted to the PhD programme in social sciences at Finnish and Russian universities are eligible for the course. Candidates for the course should submit a motivation letter (200-300 words), a short CV, and description of the applicants' research topic (1 page).

Costs:

For the selected students the course fee, meals during the events, travel to Rovaniemi and accommodation costs will be covered by the Arctic Centre

Language:

The course will be taught in English

Application deadline:

April 5, 2019

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