Project for Doctoral Studies in States of Consciousness and Parapsychology (handledning på svenska eller engelska)

As part of programmatic research on states of consciousness and anomalous psychology, my associates and I at the Center for Research on Consciousness and Anomalous Psychology (CERCAP) conduct research, using quantitative and qualitative approaches and various techniques including interviews and questionnaires, hypnosis, experience sampling, cognitive tasks, and measures of brain activity (EEG). These are some of the areas in which we are working (http://portal.research.lu.se/portal/sv/persons/etzel-cardena(d53593d2-7c3f-492b-98d0-5b28ae46f227).html):

1) The neurophenomenology of spontaneous and induced states of consciousness with people likely to have alterations of consciousness (e.g., high hypnotizables, experienced meditators).
2) Mind-wandering and stream of consciousness with groups varying in personality traits, such as a predisposition to have alterations of consciousness.
3) Dissociative processes and traits, including their relation to cognitive processes, attachment styles, and the relation between trauma, dissociation, and dysfunction.
4) The relation between alterations of consciousness, and performance in controlled psi experiments. I will not supervise a student who only wants to do research on psi.

Students should already have an MA in psychology or a closely related topic and ideally also a publication. A plus would be a student with experience in EEG data acquisition and non-linear complex analyses of EEG and psychological data.

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Deadline for application, which includes a detailed research project is March 1st!

Doctoral students at Lund U. do not pay for their education and receive a salary.