Research Associate/Research Assistant in Rabbinic Hebrew Philology

Applications are invited for the post of Research Associate or Research Assistant (depending on qualifications) in Rabbinic Hebrew Philology in the Department of Middle Eastern Studies, University of Cambridge, beginning 1st October 2018 for one year.

The holder of the post will work with Dr Shai Heijmans on a critical edition of Mishna Codex Kaufmann (ms. Kaufmann A50). Dr Heijmans is currently preparing a diplomatic edition of the Codex, as part of a project funded by the AHRC, whose Principal Investigator is Dr Michael Rand. The aim of the edition is to provide complete and maximally accurate documentation of the Mishna text as it appears in the codex—consonants and vocalization—and to create a critical apparatus for the elucidation of palaeographical and textual difficulties.

The Research Associate/Assistant will be expected to divide his/her time equally between an independent research project on Rabbinic Hebrew philology and working directly with Dr Heijmans on the production of the critical edition. The project of the Research Associate/Assistant would be expected to result in a publication that would advance the field of Rabbinic Hebrew. Appointment at Research Associate level is dependent on having a PhD, those who have submitted but not yet received their PhD will be appointed at Research Assistant level, which will be amended to research Associate once the PhD has been awarded.

The Research Associate/Assistant would be a member of the Hebrew Studies group in the Department of Middle Eastern Studies. Hebrew Studies currently includes teaching staff in the fields of Biblical, Medieval and Modern Hebrew, in addition to post-doctoral researchers, graduates and undergraduates.

Further details

Applications must be made using the University’s online application system and should include a covering letter and proposal for a research project in the field of Rabbinic Hebrew philology, in addition to a CV and the names of two referees.

Informal enquiries about the role may be made to Dr Michael Rand (E-mail: mcr47@cam.ac.uk) or Dr Shai Heijmans (E-mail: sh827@cam.ac.uk).

The closing date for applications is Tuesday, 9th May 2018. Interviews will take place in mid-May and may be conducted via Skype.

Please quote reference GY15213 on your application and in any correspondence about this vacancy.

Salary: £35,550 - £47,722

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