Research Fellow

Heidelberg University’s Collaborative Research Centre 933 (CRC 933) “Material Text Cultures” offers a vacant job position for a Research Fellow (E 13 100%) in the sub-project B04 (Jewish Studies), beginning at the 1st of January 2019.

The Collaborative Research Centre 933 (CRC 933) “Material Text Cultures” was established by the German Research Foundation in July 2011 at Heidelberg University (cooperation partner: University for Jewish Studies Heidelberg). Within the CRC’s conceptional framework, we investigate the material presence of written texts in societies to which means of mass production for written texts were unknown or unavailable (“non-typographic”). Based on that we look at reception practices whose implementation is likely because of their material presence. The material text cultures in non-typographical societies are systematically described and contrasted with typographical societies.

The CRC’s fundamental research focusses on script-bearing artefacts originating especially from the Mediterranean area. It is carried out in a conceptional framework that was developed from recent cultural-theoretical approaches (e.g. material turn, praxeology). In the long run, we plan to establish a new methodological set of tools in order to analyse script-bearing artefacts in the text-interpretative cultural studies.

For this purpose, the sub-project B04 is looking for an exceptionally qualified research fellow (Post-)Doc willing to contribute their specialist competences to the sub-project B04.

For being considered you need to have:
A completed dissertation or M.A. (or equivalent) in Jewish Studies.
Very good knowledge of Hebrew and Aramaic.
Profound knowledge in the culture and literature theories relevant to the CRC 933.
Experience with project research.
Capacity for teamwork.

Part of your job will be the
Further development of the sub-project B04.
Conception and commencement of a habilitation dissertation at the University of Heidelberg in the course of the CRC 933.
Communication of your research and results within the CRC 933 as well as within the teaching and research activities of the University of Jewish Studies.
Collaboration within the interdisciplinary CRC’s working and theory groups.
Scientific preparation of and contribution to conferences and
workshops of the sub-project B04.

The sub-project has the financial resources for a student assistant (25h/month, untested).

The compensation is made according to TV-L (E13). The position can be split between two people and is limited from the 1st of January 2019 to the 30th of June 2019, the regular end of the CRC’s second funding period.

Please apply with the regular documents until 16th of November 2018 by e-mail: hanna.liss@hfjs.eu. Please note that application documents that were sent by post won’t be returned.

The University of Heidelberg seeks to raise the percentage of women in areas where they have been underrepresented so far. Qualified women are asked to hand in their application. Severely handicapped with equal qualification receive preferential treatment.