

Scripta Qumranica Electronica
Post-doctoral Fellowship: Digital Editions of Qumran Scrolls

The German-Israeli research project Scripta Qumranica Electronica seeks applications for a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Haifa.

The fellowship will commence between May 1st and October 1st 2016 and will last for three years. The sum of the fellowship is 22,000 Euro per year.

The focus of the German-Israeli research project ³Scripta Qumranica Electronica² funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG) via the DIP agreement will be the development of new tools and new types of digital editions of texts of the Dead Sea Scrolls (Qumran) in an interdisciplinary cooperation with the universities of Haifa, Tel Aviv, and Göttingen. In this context, the existing textual and linguistic database of the Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon of the Dead Sea Scrolls (Qumran-Wörterbuch) of the Göttingen Academy of Sciences and Humanities will be expanded and new frontends to be used by the editors of the texts and later users will be developed. Furthermore, a database connection to the Leon Levy Dead Sea Scrolls Digital Library in Jerusalem will be established.

Responsibilities:

- Creating a Digital edition (Ætext¹ and copies) of the wisdom composition ÆMusar la-Mevin¹ (4QInstruction) from Qumran, based on re-thinking the concept of ÆEdition¹ in the digital age.
- Digital encoding of the text and linking it with new images. Using newly developed tools for linking with dictionary entries, multiple readings, as well as with material reconstruction of the scrolls.
- Team administration, coordination of the project in cooperation with the partners in Haifa, Tel Aviv and Jerusalem.
- Presence and activity at the DSS center in Haifa.

Qualifications and Education Requirements:

- Excellent doctorate (PhD) in the Dead Sea Scrolls or related fields. Experience with paleography, manuscripts, reconstruction of scrolls, critical editions desirable.
- Full competence (reading, speaking, writing) in English. Competence in Modern Hebrew, German and in ancient languages (Greek, Aramaic, Syriac) desirable.
- Experience in working with computer interfaces for ancient manuscripts

Candidates will send the following documents to Dr. Jonathan Ben-Dov (<mailto:jbendov@research.haifa.ac.il>): CV; list of publications; letter (1-2 pages) of declaration on the candidate's suitability for the project, on current and future research intentions; one letter of recommendation.

Last application date: March 20th 2016.