



At the University of Vienna (15 faculties, 3 centres, about 188 fields of study, approx. 9.400 members of staff, more than 90.000 students) the position of a

Research Project Staff Member at the Department of South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies

is vacant.

Identification number of advertisement: 3264

The Department of South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies (Faculty of Philological and Cultural Studies) of the University of Vienna announces the vacancy of a full-time post-doctoral research appointment for a period of three years in the FWF-funded project “Metaphysics and Epistemology of the Nyāya Tradition – Sources, History, Ideas: A Critical Edition of the Nyāyabhāṣya III” (FWF Project P24388; principal investigator: Karin Preisendanz).

Employment: full-time (40 hours/week)

Occupation group and salary scale in accordance with the collective bargaining agreement for employees of Austria Universities: §48 Group B1, § 49 (3), b (postdoc) (see http://brwup.univie.ac.at/fileadmin/user_upload/betriebsrat/KV_09_2007.pdf)

Additionally, relevant work experience may determine the assessment to a particular salary grade.

Areas of work:

The successful candidate will contribute to the project under the direction of the principal investigator. Tasks will include the description of manuscripts of the Nyāyabhāṣya in several South Asian scripts, the collation of the testimony of manuscripts and other textual witnesses for the text, work on the stemmatical hypothesis of the Nyāyabhāṣya manuscripts, search for independent textual witnesses, preparation of and participation in editorial meetings, research on selected topics in Nyāya metaphysics and epistemology, participation in the establishment

of a Digital Corpus of (Prācīna) Nyāya (within the Digital Corpus of Sanskrit), and participation in project-related conferences and workshops.

Profile:

PhD degree in South Asian Studies or a related field in the Humanities with a focus on the intellectual history of pre-modern South Asia (preferably with a focus on the history of Indian philosophy); familiarity with South Asian manuscripts and codicology; good background knowledge of the methods of Sanskrit textual criticism and critical editing; excellent knowledge of Sanskrit, excellent command of English; very good general computer skills and familiarity with IT applications and solutions relevant to text-based pre-modern South Asian Studies; above-average capacity for teamwork.

Further desirable qualifications:

- working knowledge of French and German
- interest in the history and development of the methodology of textual criticism
- interest in classical codicology
- interest in computer-aided philological research and Sanskrit lexicography
- interest in interdisciplinary methods and research

Applications should include the following documents:

- Letter of motivation
- Curriculum Vitae with list of publications
- two letters of reference

Applications should be submitted to the Job Center of the University of Vienna (<http://jobcenter.univie.ac.at>) no later than **August 1, 2012**, with reference to **job identification number 3264**.

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The University of Vienna aspires to increase the number of women on its faculty, particularly in high-level positions, and therefore specifically invites applications by women. Among equally qualified applicants women will receive preferential consideration.