

Applications invited for the position of Research Associate in Mahabharata content and context based tagging project

Young research scholars in Sanskrit studies are preferred for the position of Research Associate at Dvaita Philosophy Resource Centre (DPRC), Dept of European Studies (DES) at Manipal University (MU) from October 2016.

Mahabharata tagging (content and context based)

Dvaita Philosophy Resource Centre (DPRC)

Department of European Studies (DES)

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Dvaita Philosophy Resource Centre (DPRC) was established as a part of the Department of European Studies (DES) in 2009 with a funding from the Delegation of European Union to India. The commitment of the University to preserve the philosophical and spiritual heritage of this region led to the establishment of DPRC. The Centre focuses on creating academic platforms for philosophical discourses focusing on Dvaita Vedanta. The larger idea is to integrate the Indian knowledge system into that of the world. Since its inception, the Centre has brought out five scholarly publications, and organised two international summer schools, two workshops and a national seminar. It also conducts two courses every year on Bhagavadgita, and Indian ethics and epics. An advisory board of 10 eminent scholars ensures active guidance and support to the Centre.

XML tagging and subject indexing of complete Mahābhārata e-text with annotations including Madhva's commentary

The proposed action of annotating Mahābhārata e-text along with XML tagging and subject indexing will help take this knowledge to international audiences, particularly scholars who have considerable knowledge of Sanskrit but continue to need additional inputs.

This project is planned for a period of 40 months in 4 different phases of 10 months. This begins with the collection of popular recension of Mahābhārata (100,000 verses) and digitizing it for further processes. All these texts will be edited and proofread with transliteration to be followed by content and context tagging using mark-up languages. One Research Coordinator and five Research Associates will be appointed for this continuous action under the guidance of subject experts and advisory committee.

Research Associates for the Mahabharata project (work profile)

Research Associate shall be highly motivated and work on the tagging of the e-text of Mahabharata in the period of 40 months. The responsibilities include mainly tagging the morphological and PoS contents, identified contextual parameters and subject indexing as planned using mark-up languages. The work hours are six days a week and eight hours (including lunch hour) a day excluding Sundays and other public holidays. One shall display high levels of enthusiasm in teamwork, participating in the various project and

Dept activities and initiate networking among research activities across other institutions. Academically, also one is encouraged to contribute to the knowledge base via research and publications.

Qualifications and competences

- Research scholars with sound knowledge of Sanskrit grammar and literature particularly Mahabharata
- Experience in/exposure to academic research
- Good knowledge of computer and keying mainly Indic scripts
- Ability and willingness to work in teams in multicultural environments

We highly encourage applications of candidates from Sanskrit traditional studies with Masters.

Privileges

We, at DES, strongly believe in fostering individual growth and encouraging the career trajectories of young graduates. We provide you a dynamic and congenial international work environment for furthering your academic research interests and administrative skills. We offer a salary of 17,000 INR (with yearly increment based on performance) with basic healthcare and strong office support.

How to apply

Please send your statement of interest enclosed with an updated CV to: acharya.srinivasan@manipal.edu.

Last date for application – October 1, 2016

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