

The University of Vienna (15 faculties, 4 centres, about 188 fields of study, approx. 9.700 members of staff, more than 92.000 students) seeks to fill the position of a

University Assistant (post doc)
at the Department of South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies

from 15.11.2016 to 14.11.2022.

Reference number: 6670

The Department of South Asian, Tibetan and Buddhist Studies ranks among the largest university centers for the philological-cultural study of South Asia and Tibet in the German-speaking world and is the home of several third-party funded research projects. Through cooperation with numerous academic institutions worldwide, we are very well connected with the international scholarly community.

Duration of employment: 6 year/s

Extent of Employment: 40 hours/week

[Job grading in accordance with collective bargaining agreement](#): §48 VwGr. B1 lit. b (postdoc) with relevant work experience determining the assignment to a particular salary grade.

Job Description:

The tasks of the successful applicant will include the support of the professorship in Pre-modern South Asian Studies (Indology) in research and teaching, as well as independent research and teaching of two two-hour courses per semester, as specified in the description of the profile of applicants. Independent research with the aim of further post-doctoral academic qualification (habilitation) is particularly desirable.

Profile:

Applicants should have a PhD in the area of Indology / South Asian Studies or a related discipline with focus on pre-modern South Asia. Their research focus should be on the history of Indian philosophy, inclusive of the Buddhist traditions, or on the scientific traditions of South Asia (especially medicine and law). Research should be oriented towards the history of ideas on the basis of sources in the primary languages Sanskrit, Pali and Tibetan and with the application of sound philological methods. Excellent knowledge of Sanskrit, especially of scholastic Sanskrit, is expected. Applicants should furthermore be familiar with the practical and methodological aspects of working with South Asian manuscript sources. They should be able to offer their own courses within the BA curriculum "Languages and Cultures of South Asia and Tibet" and the MA curriculum "Languages and Cultures of South Asia" in the areas of language, literature, religion and philosophy of South Asia. Applicants should also be ready to collaborate in current research projects, to participate in departmental administration, and to support departmental publication and data base projects.

Very good knowledge of English and familiarity with application software commonly used in the discipline. Applicants who do not have German as their mother tongue should demonstrate good active and very good passive knowledge of German.

Your application should include the following documents:

- academic curriculum vitae
- list of publications and lectures
- description of the research focus
- list of taught courses
- two letters of recommendation

Research fields:

Main research field: Linguistics and Literature

Special research fields: Indology

Importance: MUST

Applications including a letter of motivation (German or English) should be submitted via the Job Center to the University of Vienna (<http://jobcenter.univie.ac.at>) no later than 01.11.2016, mentioning reference number 6670.

For further information please contact Preisendanz, Karin +43-1-4277-43510.

The University pursues a non-discriminatory employment policy and values equal opportunities, as well as diversity (<http://diversity.univie.ac.at/>). The University lays special emphasis on increasing the number of women in senior and in academic positions. Given equal qualifications, preference will be given to female applicants.

Human Resources and Gender Equality of the University of Vienna

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