



PhD Assistantship in Early Modern English Literature

60 %

The English Department of the University of Zurich invites applications for a PhD Assistant to start on 1 February 2024 at the Chair for Early Modern English Literature (Prof. Dr. Isabel Karremann). This postgraduate position is initially limited to three years, with the possibility of extension for a further three years. The position is open to candidates with a completed MA who are aiming for a PhD.

Your responsibilities

Individual work on a PhD project as well as other research activities (participation in workshops, conference papers, publications, applications for external funding), independent teaching (two hours per week at BA level) and assisting in administrative tasks and research projects at the Chair.

Your profile

We are looking for a member of staff with an excellent MA degree in the field of English literature. You are well versed in English literature and cultural contexts (especially in Renaissance literature and early modern drama) and willing to conduct research framed by recent theoretical approaches to early modern studies. You are keen to work in a team, collaborating on research and teaching. You are proficient in verbal, written and interpersonal communication in English and have a competence in German or are eager to acquire a working knowledge of German within the first two years.

What we offer

We offer an assistant/PhD position with a workload of 60 % (initially limited to a three-year period, with possible extension for up to 3 three years, salary according to canton regulations) in an internationally renowned, committed and collegial research team, which will support you in your independent research. The English Department offers an attractive, cooperative work environment with good infrastructure in an international, stimulating environment in central Zurich with full access to library services and IT facilities. You will be allocated a workspace in the department; the university's regulations allow staff to work from home for up to 40 % of their weekly employment time.

Place of work

> [Englisches Seminar, Plattenstrasse, Zürich, Switzerland](#)

Start of employment

Start of employment is 1 February 2024. Please submit your application in a single PDF document that includes a letter of motivation, curriculum vitae, degree certificates, the names and addresses of at least two references, a 3-5 page description of your PhD project and a writing sample (a seminar paper or a chapter from your MA thesis) by 15 November 2023.

Further information

Prof. Dr. Isabel Karremann

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