

University of Greifswald

1 DFG-funded post-doctoral research position

International Research Training Group "Baltic Borderlands: Shifting Boundaries of Mind and Culture in the Borderlands of the Baltic Sea Region"

Post-doctoral research topic: Echoes of Empire: The contemporary influence of old boundaries

Subject area: History

Starting date: 1st January 2010 (subject to approval from the DFG)

Remuneration: from € 28K p.a.. Salary based on public sector pay scale TV-L 13.

The fellowship will be awarded for two years (extension is not possible).

Closing date for applications: 4th November 2009

The University of Greifswald has received funding from the German Research Foundation (DFG) for the International Research Training Group "Baltic Borderlands: Shifting Boundaries of Mind and Culture in the Borderlands of the Baltic Sea Region" and now invites applications from well-qualified candidates for a post-doctoral research position.

The International Research Training Group was initiated by the University of Greifswald, the University of Lund (Sweden), and the University of Tartu (Estonia). In Greifswald, the subject areas offered are history, Baltic and Slavonic Languages and Literature, psychology, political science, and systematic theology. The complementary disciplines of ethnology, geography, and communication studies are offered in Lund and Tartu. With a geographical focus on the Baltic Sea region, the overarching research themes are:

1. The emergence and transformation of historical borderlands
2. The cultural contexts of cross-border action in borderland areas
3. The economic permeability and persistence of borders
4. New border regimes: The political dimension of border formation and dissolution
5. The theorisation of synchronic and diachronic processes of change

Requirements:

- applicants should hold a good PhD degree
- exposé for a research proposal relating to one of the five themes of research (max. 10 pages)
- good written and spoken English. Knowledge of German, Estonian or Swedish is desirable but not essential.

Willingness to take on organizational and planning tasks, teaching duties, and to supervise PhD students within the International Research Training Group (approx. 10 hours per week) is essential.

The University of Greifswald is committed to increasing the share of women and disabled people within the organisation. Women and disabled people are explicitly invited to apply.

The post-holder is expected to take up residence in Greifswald.

Applications (with curriculum vitae, copies of educational qualifications and PhD thesis, list of publications, a written reference from a university professor, and a research proposal) should be sent to the speaker of the International Research Training Group, Professor Dr. Michael North by 4th November 2009.

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