The Faculty of the Humanities, Department of History, at the Carl von Ossietzky University in Oldenburg, Germany offers beginning within the next two to three months (April or May)

3 fixed-term/contract positions until 31. December 2020

with the option of earning a Doctorate

in the Academy Project "Prize Papers - Cataloguing - Digitisation - Presentation".

Hours: 25,87/week / 65 %

Salary: German pay grade TV-L 13

In this project, the entirety of the Prize Papers Collection housed in the UK National Archives (TNA) is going to be catalogued, digitised and made accessible to research and the interested public via an online research database. The extraordinary collection documents the colonial arrangements of the early modern period in their various facets in as yet unrivalled dimensions, thus forming a global archive of early modern lives and worlds.

You will work in an international team of young early-career researchers at the Carl von Ossietzky University of Oldenburg and in close cooperation with the UK National Archives, as well as the German Historical Institute London (GHIL).

Your Tasks:

- The initial and in-depth cataloguing of a part of the Prize Papers Collection dating from the War of the Austrian Succession, including the creation of research-oriented metadata.
- Rotation-based, quarterly work on the initial sorting of the collection in the project partners' team at the National Archives, London.
- Production of a PhD-thesis/dissertation which draws, for the most part, on the pertinent parts of the Prize Papers Collection. Possible research interests include, but are not limited to, the History of Medicine, Economy, Law, Language, and Climate.

Requirements:

- An above-average Master's degree in History or a relevant neighbouring discipline
- Verified fluency in English and Spanish or French, preferably also basic language competences in Dutch
- Familiarity with well-established computer application and a readiness to familiarise yourself with project-specific software programmes.

We offer You:

- a qualification programme supporting your own research and qualification activities with a view to expanding your competences; as well as allowing you to develop a broad professional connectivity with the fields Museum, Archive, and Digital Humanities
- Experience in working in one of the largest European archives (TNA, London)
- Experience in international collaboration, which will be complemented by the cooperation with the GHIL London and other international partners in the field of research communication
- to become a part of a young, dynamic University which offers further possibilities of collaboration in numerous interdisciplinary research activities

The Carl von Ossietzky University aims at raising the percentage of women in research positions. Therefore, women are explicitly encouraged to apply. According to § 21 clause 3 of the Lower Saxony Higher Education Act, women with equivalent qualifications shall be given preferential consideration. Severely disabled persons with equivalent qualifications shall be given preference over other applicants.

Please send us your application, key word "Projektstellen Prize Papers", including a Curriculum Vitae, copies of your university diplomae/ certificates; if possible a brief exposé of your research project and, if available, an overview of your publications, conference papers and teaching experiences, both by post and via e-mail until 28.02.2018.

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