

Call for Applications

Short-Term Fellowships

at the Trierer Kolleg für Mittelalter und Frühe Neuzeit

Application Deadline for 2020: 15 October 2019

The Trierer Kolleg für Mittelalter und Frühe Neuzeit (TriKo) offers short-term fellowships for up to a year for doctoral students and postdocs who are completing projects (dissertations, habilitations, monographs) in TriKo's research area. The fellowships are funded by the 2019–2023 research initiative of the German state of Rhineland-Palatinate.

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The consequences of big data for the social, cultural and economic value of information are one of the most important problems of the 21st century. The researchers at TriKo have set their sights on the significance of information during an earlier epoch, stretching from the 8th to the 18th century. Topics include information qua resource, information asymmetries, information costs, the trade of information, information networks as well as information policies, such as the determination of the aims, functions, strategies and potentials of information along with its coordination and control. Our basic assumption is that the value of information is crucial for understanding the political, societal and economic phenomena of the time. In this sense, TriKo researchers want not only to provide historical background for current debates but also to reassess an epoch commonly designated as “premodern.”

TriKo fellowships

Fellowship recipients are required to reside in Trier. This ensures that they can discuss and complete their projects in the constructive atmosphere of TriKo, whose premises are located in the heart of Trier's historic centre. The fellowships provide a monthly stipend of 1,350 euros for doctoral students and 2,000 euros for postdocs. They also offer possible funding for workshops related to TriKo's research concentration, provided that they take place in Trier. Fellows must submit a final report of their project at the end of the funding period.

The short-term fellowships are designed to support projects related to TriKo's research (outlined above). Interdisciplinary projects are welcome. Women are expressly encouraged to apply.

Applications

Applicants should submit the following materials:

- Cover letter (please remember to specify the period of funding you need)
- CV with detailed description of education and academic experience
- Letter of recommendation from a professor
- List of any published work
- Copies of university diplomas
- Project description (no longer than five pages)

The project description should generally adhere to the following structure:

1. Introduction, research question, aims and objectives
2. Present state of scholarship
3. State of applicant's project
4. Work plan, timetable through completion of project / publication
5. Relationship to TriKo's research concentration (The Value of Information in the Middle Ages and the Early Modern Period)
6. Works cited

Please submit your application in electronic form to Professor Petra Schulte (schultep@uni-trier.de) by **15 October 2019**.

For more information, please contact TriKo's business manager, Eileen Bergmann (bergmanne@uni-trier.de).

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