



PhD Program between the Freie Universität Berlin (FUB) and the China Scholarship Council (CSC)

Open PhD position for CSC scholarship candidates 2015

The PhD position is only offered to Chinese PhD candidates for application in the framework of the FU-CSC Program.

Department/Institute:

Turfanforschung at the Berlin Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities and the Program 'Languages and Cultures of the Silk Road' in the Berlin Antike-Kolleg.

Subject area:

Studies on texts of the Silk Road in the period from the 2nd to the 14 th c. CE (Iranology, Turcology, Indo-European Studies)

Name of Supervisor:

Prof. Dr. Desmond Durkin-Meisterernst

Number of open positions:

1

Project title:

Dissertation on Middle Iranian or Old Turkish texts and their contents

Project description:

Various aspects of the history, of linguistic history or of the religions (Buddhism, Manichaeism, Christianity) represented in the texts from the Silk Road in north-western China can be chosen according to the individual interests of the student.

Language requirements:

The dissertation can be written in English. Supervision will be in English. It is also expected that the student will attain at least a reading knowledge of German during his stay in Germany (i.e. knowledge of German is not a precondition for the application or admittance).

Academic requirements:

For a full doctorate at the Free University Berlin the student needs to have completed a Master's degree (or equivalent) in the history or on some aspect of the linguistic or religious history of the Silk Road. If instruction in additional pre-modern languages is required for the topic of the dissertation this will be provided, if possible during a preliminary period before the work on the dissertation begins.

For the sandwich programm, admission to the doctoral programm of the student's home university in China will suffice. Here too, if instruction in pre-modern languages is required for the topic of the dissertation this will be provided.

Link to professor and further information:

<http://berliner-antike-kolleg.org/bergsas/prom/silk-road/>

In a first step the complete application should submit to the Beijing Office for evaluation by January 4th. Please don't contact the professor before. He will get in contact with you after having received the complete application in January.