

The University of Manchester

Faculty of Humanities: PGR Placement Provider Template

Placement Provider:	Digital Humanities and Genealogies of Knowledge AHRC Project				
Placement Contact:	Dr Louise Davies: Louise.Davies-2@manchester.ac.uk				
Location(s) of placement:	School of Arts, Languages and Cultures				
Start Date:	16 April 2018 or as soon as possible thereafter				
Duration:	Three months				
Work hours each week:	1 day per week for 12 weeks				
Deadline for Applications:	16 March 2018				
Resources available eg	Research data, desk, Desktop Windows PC				
library data, computer, desk					
etc					
Equality and diversity policy	Yes				
is in place and monitored					
Security clearance required	No				
Disclosure Barring Service	No				
check required					
Description of Placement:					

Digital Humanities Research Data Placement, AHRC Genealogies of Knowledge Project

Second- or third-year PhD students from any school of the Faculty of Humanities are invited to apply for a short-term (12-week) Digital Humanities placement on this major AHRC-funded research project.

The candidate or candidates selected for a placement will be attached to *Genealogies of Knowledge*, an AHRC-funded project investigating the historical evolution and transformation through translation of key concepts in political and scientific thought that can often be traced back to the ancient Greek world. The project involves building large electronic corpora of Greek, Latin, Arabic and English, and developing a range of open-source tools for corpus analysis and visualisation.

The successful candidate(s) will work with the Genealogies team for a total of 12 days over a period of 3 months and will assist with corpus building activities, specifically with annotating text with xml metadata information, using software such as J-Edit. Training will be provided.

Candidates selected for this placement will benefit from the experience of working with an expert team of researchers on state-of-the-art methods of corpus building and analysis. Depending on performance, they may be offered the opportunity to continue working with the team beyond the placement period.

Expected Tasks and Outcomes:

The successful candidate(s) will assist with corpus building activities, specifically with annotating text with xml metadata information, using software such as J-Edit. Training will be provided.

Specific Skills/Experience/Training Required for the Placement:

Successful candidate(s) will have very good technical skills and an eye for detail. Experience in working with a wide range of software applications, especially those used in documenting metadata for electronic corpora, is particularly desirable. Knowledge of Arabic and/or Latin is also desirable but not necessary.

All training will be provided by the project team at the start of the placement.

Training and experience expected to be gained through the placement:

The placement researcher will work closely with the project team and will gain experience in the following areas:

- corpus-building and analysis;
- text annotation
- other general skills developed by working as part of a large research team, including time management, project management, preparation of documentation, and other associated office tasks.

Financial assistance	(if any) offered by	v the	organisation
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These placements are supported by Digital Humanities in the form of a one-off payment of £1000.

Other Comments:		