



**UNIVERSITÉ
DE GENÈVE**

FACULTÉ DES LETTRES

Research Assistant in Digital Humanities

University of Geneva – Department of English

Job Description

Applications are invited for a Research Assistant position based in the Department of English at the University of Geneva. The successful applicant will work on a project led by Dr Devani Singh and funded by the Swiss National Science Foundation. The project, “To the Reader: The English Preface in Print, c. 1475-1623”, studies printed epistles to readers in English books during the specified period, with the goal of charting their rise and assessing their importance in relation to the emerging conventions of literary and print culture. The successful candidate will work under the guidance of Dr Singh, to whom preliminary inquiries may be made at [devani.singh\[at\]unige.ch](mailto:devani.singh[at]unige.ch). The post is full-time (100%) for twelve months, and is available from 1 August 2020 (negotiable).

Responsibilities

The postholder will be responsible to Dr Singh for carrying out work in relation to the research project. In particular, they will contribute to the project by populating and managing a database of early printed books.

Required

- A Master’s degree (or equivalent) in Digital Humanities, English Literature, History, or another relevant field;
- Demonstrable experience applying digital methods to humanities research;
- Fluency in spoken and written English;
- The ability to work well and co-operatively within a team.

In addition to these required skills, it would be an asset to have knowledge of early modern English literature and the book trade, and/or of statistics, spreadsheets, and relational databases. Please note that fluent knowledge of French is not a requirement for the position.

Gross Annual Salary: Ca. CHF 63,000 (= ca. £ 49,000 / EUR 57,000 / \$ 63,000)

Closing date: 31 January 2020

Interviews

Skype interviews will take place in February 2020. A representative writing sample in English will also be requested from shortlisted candidates who are invited to interview.

To Apply

By email to [devani.singh\[at\]unige.ch](mailto:devani.singh[at]unige.ch) with cover letter and CV, including the names and email addresses of two referees. Interested candidates seeking further information about the post are welcome to contact Dr Singh in advance of applying.

Living in Geneva

For more information about living in Geneva, see

https://www.unige.ch/dinfo/files/4414/8975/6225/Welcome_Geneve_UK.pdf. Non-Swiss candidates will be required to obtain the appropriate visas/permits before beginning work.