Friedrich Schlegel Graduate School of Literary Studies

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Comparative Approaches to Literary Studies

Interdisciplinarity:

- 74 PI from 16 disciplines

- 60 PhD from 15 disciplines

Main Fields:

- Comparative Literature

- German Studies

- English Studies

- Roman Studies

- Philosophy

Research Programme

FSGS promotes research in literary studies that is

methodically innovative & sets a benchmark through the reflection of its approach in comparing texts, media, and cultures

Research Areas

- Literature as textual practice

- Literature from a transnational perspective

- Literature and knowledge

- Literature, (inter-)mediality and the arts

Types of Application at FSGS

- 3 project scholarships at the FSGS for the duration of 9 months for people at the end of their master thesis

- 5 PhD positions for people with external funding for 3 years

- 2 DAAD grants for international students of German literature and culture for 4 years

Types of Application at EXC TC

FSGS also hosts PhD students of Cluster of Excellence "Temporal Communities. Doing Literature in a Global Perspective" (https://www.temporal-communities.de)

2 positions (E13 TV-L FU, 50%, 3 years) at EXC TC / FSGS as members of the following projects: (EXC TC „Promotion im Rahmen eines Projektes")

- *The Invention of the Modern Religious Bookshelf: Canons, Concepts and Communities* (PI: Prof. Dr. Christian Meyer)
- *The Birth of Monolingualism from Multilingualism* (PI: Prof. Dr. Anne Fleig, Prof. Dr. Matthias Hüning)

3 positions (E13 TV-L FU, 50%, 3 years) at EXC TC / FSGS or GSNAS in the context of one of the Research Areas 1-5 („individual project") EXCTC DOC RA0_2021 (EXC TC „Promotion mit eigenem Projekt")

Requirements for application

!!! Check individual requirements for different application types !!!

- Excellent M.A. degree
- Curriculum vitae
- a letter of motivation that describes why you are applying at the FSGS / EXC TC
- Outline of the dissertation project up to 10 pages and a 1 page summary (or a short draft of a dissertation proposal for EXC TC PhD within a project)
- a time schedule for three years (exception: EXC TC PhD within a project)
- an academic work sample (no longer than 15-20 pages)
- Certified copies of degrees received
- Proof of proficiency in English AND German (one language C1, the other B2)
- contact details of two experts in the field (generally university faculty) who are willing to write a letter of recommendation for you

Language Requirements

To apply for the Graduate School knowledge of German AND English is necessary.

You need proof of one language at the level C1, the other one at the level B2.

You do not need to hand in language certificates, if

a) you are native English or German speaker, or
b) have graduated from an English or German speaking university in a country
with English or German as an official language.

Language Requirements

German Language Skills:

For **German C1** GER following certificates are recognized:

- **TestDaF** (TDN 4 in all four components of testing)
- **Goethe-Zertifikat C1 or C2** ("Großes Deutsches Sprachdiplom") from the Goethe-Institute
- **DSH 2**, **ZOP**
- **DSD II**: degree from a German-speaking program at a German-speaking institution
- **TELC Deutsch C1** – Hochschule
- University entrance diploma that is equivalent to the German counterpart

Recognized as proof of proficiency in **German B2** GER are:

- **TestDaF** (TDN 3 in all four components of testing)
- **Goethe-Zertifikat B2**
- **DSD I**
- **TELC Deutsch B2** – Hochschule

Language Requirements

English Language Skills:

Recognized certificate for **English C1** GER are:

- **IELTS 6.5**
- **Cambridge Examinations:** First Certificate (FCE), Advanced (CAE), Proficiency (CPE)
- **TOEFL**: Paper 585, Computer 240 or Online 95
- **TELC** English C1 – University
- Degree from an English-speaking program at an English-speaking institution

For **English B2** GER:

- **IELTS** 5.0
- **TOEFL** Paper 500, Computer 170 or Online 80
- **Cambridge Examinations**: First Certificate (FCE), Advanced (CAE), Proficiency (CPE)
- **TELC** English B2 – University
- 7 years of English in German schools

Submitting the application

- Register at the online portal of Dahlem Research School: https://www.drs.fu-berlin.de/user/register. Applications by post or email will not be accepted.

- If you want to apply for several positions, you only need one account, but you have to create several applications.

- Your application is submitted only after you have clicked the "save and submit" button. You will then receive a confirmation email.

- Check our tips for your successful application: https://www.geisteswissenschaften.fu-berlin.de/en/friedrichschlegel/foerderung/Bewerbungsverfahren/Hinweise/index.html

Application Timeline

- Application deadline ends on 14 November 2021 at 23:59 CET
- Interviews in late February / early March
- Notifications sent out mid-March

- Applications for admission for doctoral studies submitted by 15 June, 2022
- Enrolment as doctoral students by 30 September, 2022
- Begin of the programme on 1 October, 2022

- The project scholarship begins on 1 June, 2022

Further information

- check our website http://fsgs.fu-berlin.de/

- contact us: apply@fsgs.fu-berlin.de