



Mobility, Empire and Cross Cultural Contacts in Mongol Eurasia

Visiting Ph.D. Fellowships

The European Research Council (ERC) project *Mobility, Empire and Cross-Cultural Contacts in Mongol Eurasia* at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem under the direction of Professor Michal Biran is offering up to 3 visiting fellowships for Ph.D. students in the fields of History, East Asian Studies, Islamic Studies, Religious Studies, Art History or Archaeology, beginning in October 2016.*

The successful candidates will spend an academic year in Jerusalem and will take part in a team work, which creates a prosopographical database of people active under Mongol rule, and can use the accumulated data for their own research. Fellows will receive the position of visiting students, a monthly stipend of 7,000 NIS and health insurance. They will be given offices at the Hebrew University (Mount Scopus campus), and will participate in the project's seminars and its other activities .

The required criteria for submitting candidacy for the scholarships are:

- Proven academic excellence;
- Sound knowledge in **at least one** of the following classical languages: Arabic, Persian and Chinese. Knowledge of Old Russian is also an advantage.
- Sound knowledge of the history of the Mongol Empire.

Interested individuals are requested to send 1 copy of the following documents:

- Curriculum vitae (including language proficiency)
- Transcript of grades
- PhD Research Proposal
- Letters of evaluation of the master's thesis (if applicable)
- A document describing the research program (up to 500 words)
- Two letters of recommendation to be sent directly to the project's coordinator.
- A writing sample: dissertation chapter, MA thesis or a paper that has been accepted for publication.

Please send materials in hard copy to:

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and electronically **in one file** to:

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For additional information about the project see <http://mongol.huji.ac.il/> or contact Professor Michal Biran at biranm@mail.huji.ac.il or Ms. Jenia Yudkevich, the project's coordinator at jeniay@savion.huji.ac.il

- * In special cases the fellowship can begin before October 2016. Please contact us **before** the deadline if this is applicable to you.