

Weekly Round-Up, 17 March 2016

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1 Lectures and Events

Internal

1.1 Intensive Weekend Language Courses in Trinity Term

The Language Centre is offering intensive weekend language courses in Trinity term 2016 at the beginner and lower intermediate levels. This is an opportunity to try a new language or to brush up on existing skills for professional development, research or in time for a summer holiday.

- Spanish/Italian: Saturday 7 May – Sunday 8 May 2016
- German/French: Saturday 14 May – Sunday 15 May 2016

Courses are open to all members of the University and cost £50 for students and £65 for staff. For more information and to register contact admin@lang.ox.ac.uk.

** Please see item 1.1 attachment for further information:*

<https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/x/bS3QDe>

1.2 Oxford Centre for Global History: Event

Special lecture organised by the Gender, Women & Culture Seminar, Long 19thC Seminar and Modern British History Seminar

Tues 26 April 12pm-1.30pm – Auditorium, St John's College (booking details to follow)
Catherine Hall: 'Rethinking Slavery and Freedom; Or, What is a Man?'

1.3 Digital Humanities at Oxford Summer School

Digital Humanities at Oxford Summer School, 4 - 8 July 2016

<http://digital.humanities.ox.ac.uk/dhoxss/2016/>

Do you work in the Humanities or support people who do?

Are you interested in how the digital can help your research?

Come and learn from experts with participants from around the world, from every field and career stage, to develop your knowledge and acquire new skills.

Immerse yourself for a week in one of our 8 workshop strands, and widen your horizons through the keynote and additional sessions.

Workshops to choose:

- An Introduction to Digital Humanities "Expert insights into our digital landscape"
- An Introduction to the Guidelines of the Text Encoding Initiative "Markup for Textual Research"
- Analysing Humanities Data - "An Introduction to Knowledge-Based Computing with the Wolfram Language"
- Digital Musicology - "Applied computational and informatics methods for enhancing musicology"
- From Text to Tech - "Corpus and Computational Linguistics for powerful text processing in the Humanities"
- Humanities Data: A Hands-On Approach - "Making the Most of Messy Data"
- Linked Data for Digital Humanities - "Publishing, Querying, and Linking on the Semantic Web"

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- Social Humanities: Citizens at Scale in the Digital World "Social Media, Citizen Science, and Social Machines"

Keynotes:

- Opening Keynote: Identifying the point of it all: Towards a Model of "Digital Infrapuncture", Deb Verhoeven (Deakin University)
- Closing Keynote: Open Access and Digital Humanities – Opening up to the World, Isabel Galina, (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México)

Additional Lectures:

Supplement your chosen workshop with a choice of 3 from 9 additional morning lectures sessions (Tue-Thurs) covering a variety of Digital Humanities topics.

Evening Events:

Join us for events every evening, include a research poster and drinks reception, the annual TORCH Digital Humanities lecture, and a dinner at Exeter College.

Registration:

Reduced fees are available for academics and students, as well as group bookings see the registration page at <http://digital.humanities.ox.ac.uk/dhoxss/2016/registration> for details. There are limited number of bursaries available, see <http://digital.humanities.ox.ac.uk/dhoxss/2016/bursaries> for more information.

For more information see: <http://digital.humanities.ox.ac.uk/dhoxss/2016/>

1.4 Conference Information: Developing a Christian Mind (Seeking Wisdom)

18 March 2016, New College

Where is God in the humanities? Oxford academics, postdocs, and postgraduates gather on Friday 18 March to ask where God is in history's darkest moments, where God might be found in literature, where God might be known through film. Jonathan Brant will speak on The Humanities Stream is one of five disciplinary streams that make up Seeking Wisdom, the spring conference of Developing a Christian Mind. Tickets include meals and are available for £5.

More details are available here: <http://www.oxfordchristianmind.org/humanities-stream-2016/>.

You can also contact Carmen (kar.thong@ell.ox.ac.uk) or LaRae (jeana.ferguson@classics.ox.ac.uk) for further information.

1.5 Cultural Economies and the Contemporary Moment Workshop

Oxford Martin Centre, 34 Broad Street, Oxford, OX1 3BD, 18 March, 10.30 am – 6.30 pm.

Come along and hear critic Kirill Kobrin, dynamic international curator Adam Szymczyk, leading specialist in Russian Constructivism Christina Kiaer, anthropologist Ilya Utekhin from the European University, St Petersburg, Maria Veits of the Creative Society of Curators (TOK), St Petersburg, Philip Ross Bullock from the University of Oxford, and others in a series of round tables organised by the Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages, University of Oxford (convenor: Prof. Catriona Kelly). The stellar group of experts in literature, theatre, visual arts and cultural studies will debate the relationships between culture and economic, political, and social realities and the effects on the arts of state and public control.

For full programme, please see the attached flyer.

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Admission is free. The workshop wishes to subsidise lunch at New College for up to 20 graduate students (otherwise available at a price of £15). To reserve a seat and to register for lunch, please contact Marina Samsonova marina.samsonova@mod-lang.ox.ac.uk

** Please see item 1.5 attachment for further information:*

<https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/x/ozNlkZ>

3 Adverts

Funding & Prizes

3.1 Summer of Student Innovation Competitions 2016

Jisc's Summer of Student Innovation competitions are an opportunity for students to have an impact on life and study in work based learning providers, colleges and universities across the UK.

Do you have a bright idea that uses technology to improve study or student life? If so we'd like to hear it, and the best will be given funding, support and an invitation to a multi-day mentoring event to turn their concept into reality.

Our goal is to unearth and develop the best ideas, creating apps and tools to be piloted in colleges and universities and harness the power of technology for better learning and teaching across the UK.

What's more, our competitions fit in with core curricula and encourage employability skills like team working, business planning and viability testing. Many colleges and universities now recognise students' work towards our competitions as part of their coursework.

Student Ideas Competition 2016 is open to all learners in universities, colleges or learning providers. We will select 15 successful teams who will receive £2000 per team to attend a four day design sprint on the 8-11 August. Each team will pitch to a panel on the 23 August and we will select five ideas to be developed into products who will receive a further £3000.

Support Technology Start-ups 2016 is open to established teams with existing products seeking to further pilot their product within colleges, universities or skills providers. Up to five selected teams will receive £20,000 and participate in a six month pre-accelerator programme.

The closing date for submissions is 23 May 2016.

For further information see: <https://jisc.ac.uk/student-innovation>

Jobs, Recruitment and Volunteering

3.2 Competitive Examination for the Recruitment of French Interpreters at the United Nations (P-2/P-3) 2016

We are pleased to announce that the 2016 competitive examination for the recruitment of French Interpreters at the United Nations (P-2/P-3) is scheduled to be held on 8 and 9 June 2016.

The purpose of the examinations is to establish rosters from which future vacancies for French Interpreters at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, Geneva, Vienna, Nairobi and Bangkok.

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Further information regarding the examination, including eligibility requirements and online application forms, can be found on the following United Nations web site:

<https://careers.un.org/lbw/home.aspx?viewtype=LE>

Deadline for submission of applications is 7 April 2016.

3.3 OISE Oxford: Recruiting Graduates for Language Teaching this Summer

OISE Oxford is recruiting graduates to teach English to French university-age students this summer.

OISE Oxford is currently recruiting a number of motivated, confident graduates with excellent written and spoken English to prepare French university-age students for the English component of the competitive entry exams of prestigious "Grandes Écoles" such as HEC, ESCP, École Normale and Sciences Po.

Candidates may opt to teach some, or all, of:

Current affairs

Textual analysis (news texts)

Grammar and vocabulary

Oral presentations

Essay-writing skills

All teaching material and training is provided. Courses run from the beginning of July until the end of August and take place in central Oxford.

Teaching qualification and any relevant experience of EFL, French and/or current affairs an advantage, but not crucial. Good rates of pay.

Please send current cv and covering email to Dr Addyman:

david.addyman@oise.com

3.4 Stipendiary Lectureship in French (5-hour) at Lady Margaret Hall

Please see the attachment for the further particulars regarding a 5-hour Stipendiary lectureship in French at Lady Margaret Hall.

*** Please see item 3.4 attachment for further information:**

<https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/x/uF8fgD>

3.5 Webmaster and Communications Officer at the Maison Française

Webmaster and Communications Officer (bilingual: French-English). Fixed-term contract from 11th April to 31st December 2016. Please see the job description attached. Staff at the Maison Française will be happy to answer any questions in French or in English: webmaster@mfo.ac.uk or secretary@mfo.ac.uk

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<https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/x/gS1rIP>

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Miscellaneous

3.6 Henrike Laehnemann Abseils for Poverty Relief: Sponsoring Still Possible!

Professor Henrike Lähnemann completed her abseil from the church tower of St Mary Magdalen to the Martyrs Memorial, in central Oxford, on Saturday 12 March. For more information please see:

http://www.oxfordmail.co.uk/news/14341067.Churchgoer_blow_s_her_own_trumpet_during_charity_abseil/

Henrike is still raising money for poverty relief, via Christian Aid. If you would like to support her efforts, you can find her fundraising page here: www.justgiving.com/Henrike-Laehnemann

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<https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/x/86XO23>

3.7 Taylorian Libraries' temporary closure, 9.00 am – 2.00 pm, Wednesday 13th April

The Taylor Institution Library (St. Giles') and the Taylor Bodleian Slavonic & Modern Greek Library will close temporarily on the morning of Wednesday 13th April. The libraries will reopen at 2pm the same day.

The closure is to allow all staff, including those that usually work at enquiry desks, to take part in an important training session. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. If you have any questions about the closure please contact Frank Egerton, Taylor Operations Manager, in the first instance: frank.egerton@bodleian.ox.ac.uk.

3.8 Research Study – Mindfulness for IBS

Research study: Do you have IBS? Would you like to participate in our Mindfulness for IBS course? We are offering a mindfulness course for IBS and are looking for women with IBS (aged 18-65) to participate. Mindfulness for IBS is a new mindfulness course specifically for people with irritable bowel syndrome. The course consists of 6 x 2 hour group sessions over the course of 6-7 weeks at the Oxford Mindfulness Centre. During the course you will develop awareness of your mind and body through the cultivation of mindful awareness. The aim of the course is to reduce the symptoms of IBS and help you increase your mental and physical wellbeing.

Study Participation: The course is provided at no cost to you as participant. Part of participating in this research study involves coming to 3 assessment visits at the Department of Experimental psychology and completing 4-8 online questionnaires before, during and after the course. Each assessment visit takes between 1 and 1.5 hours, each questionnaire takes between 30 and 45 minutes.

Dates and Registration: To find out more about the study, when the courses take place and to register, please contact Julia Henrich via email Julia.Henrich@psy.ox.ac.uk.

You can also sign up here <http://limesurvey.msd.ox.ac.uk/index.php/476452/lang-en>.

3.9 Book Sale

Saturday 19th March, 3.00-5.00pm. Sale of second hand books for adults and children, jointly organised with the Petit Club of the Alliance Française d'Oxford. Please see the poster attached.

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4 Year Abroad

4.1 Job Opportunities

DISCLAIMER: Please note that the inclusion of vacancies received by the Faculty is a facility to assist students in sourcing possible placements and does not constitute any sort of recommendation of the organisation, or agreement with the content of the vacancies; the Faculty attempts to provide as much information on vacancies available to students as possible and makes every effort to check that the content complies with equality legislation and is otherwise appropriate for student employment but cannot confirm the quality of the experience. Where negative feedback from previous students is received, appropriate action is taken. Students should make every effort to conduct their own research into the opportunities and providers to reassure themselves of the quality of the provision.

The latest job opportunities and internships received by the Faculty can now be found via the new jobs board:

https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/access/content/group/b25fcf31-6bb3-4051-94fc-a1286d230ade/ya_jobs.html

The new WebLearn Year Abroad pages are now 'live':

https://weblearn.ox.ac.uk/portal/hierarchy/humdiv/modlang/year_abroad

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