

Weekly Round-Up, 31 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/HDRi1z>

1.2 Last call for Registration for *Wonder*, the Oxford Medieval Graduate Conference 2016

Wonder: Aspects and Approaches
The Twelfth Oxford Medieval Graduate Conference
St. Edmund Hall, Oxford, 8th - 9th April 2016

Registration open until Sunday 3rd April – <http://mae.modhist.ox.ac.uk/wonder>

Contact for further details: oxgradconf@gmail.com

1.3 Oxford Centre for Global History: Forthcoming Events

Forthcoming OCGH events for your diaries – further details to follow (for further events and information visit <http://global.history.ox.ac.uk>):

Special Lecture: Oxford Centre for Global History
Dr Romain Bertrand, Centre de Recherches Internationales, Sciences Po
Monday 9 May, 5pm - History Faculty
Subject: 'Bridging the gap between connected history and microhistory. A perspectivist rendering of the conquest of the Philippines (c. 1565-1585)'

Workshop and Opening Keynote Lecture: 'Egypt over the longue durée'
Opening Keynote Lecture - Friday 13 May, 5pm - Al Jaber Auditorium, Corpus Christi College
Professor Timothy Mitchell, Columbia
Subject: 'The new histories of capitalism: who gets the credit?'
Workshop - Saturday 14 May - Al Jaber Auditorium, Corpus Christi College
Speakers include: Nicolas Michel (IFAO), Nelly Hanna (American University in Cairo), Lucie Ryzova (Birmingham), Hussein Omar (Oxford)
Convenors: John Darwin, Mark Whittow, Chris Wickham

Special Lecture: Oxford Centre for Global History
Professor Melanie Nolan, Australian National University
Wednesday 18 May, 5pm - History Faculty
Subject: 'Beveridge and the Anglo-Antipodean world of reform'

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Workshop: 'Globalisation in the long nineteenth century - perspectives from Africa'

Friday 27 May - St Cross College

Speakers include: Joseph Inikori (Rochester), Geert Castryck (Leipzig), Joel Cabrita (Cambridge), Richard Reid (SOAS), Toby Green (KCL)

Convenors: Jan-Georg Deutsch, Miles Larmer

Special Lecture: Oxford Centre for Global History, Latin America Centre, Rothermere American Institute

Thursday 9 June, 5pm - Rothermere American Institute

Professor José Moya, Columbia

Subject: 'The New World: Eurocentric label or valid historical category?'

3 Adverts

Funding & Prizes

3.1 Sir John Rhÿs Prize

Please note that the application deadline for the following grant is FRIDAY WEEK 1 OF TRINITY TERM:

[Sir John Rhÿs Prize](#)

The Sir John Rhÿs Prize will be offered for an essay on a subject relating to Celtic Language, Literature, History and Antiquities. The prize value of £250 is open to members of the University who, on the closing date for entries, have not exceeded eight years from their matriculation. Candidates are free to choose their own subject. If they have any doubt as to whether a particular subject lies within the scope of the Prize, they should consult the further particulars which are available from the link below.

More information is available [here](#).

3.2 Competition: Oxford German Olympiad 2016 – Subversive Satires of the 1930s

As part of the annual Oxford German Olympiad – this year with the theme 'Deutscher Humor' – all those studying German in their second year of university and above are invited to try their hand at translating some contemporary 1930s anti-Fascist satire from the archives of the Wiener Library, London! The winner will receive £100 and be invited to a prize-giving ceremony in the Bodleian Library on 16 June 2016. The deadline for submissions is noon on Friday 6 May 2016. More information, including the text to be translated, can be found online:

<http://www.ogn.ox.ac.uk/oxford-german-olympiad-2016>

Contact for further details: Dr Madeleine Brook / OGN Coordinator ogn@mod-langs.ox.ac.uk

3.3 Competition: Oxford German Olympiad 2016 – Camden House Book Proposal

As part of the annual Oxford German Olympiad, all those studying German in their second year of university and above are invited to try their hand at crafting a book proposal that would fit within the German Studies catalogue of the publisher Camden House! The proposal may be for a current research project, a planned project – or even an imaginary project – and need not be intended for actual publication. The winner will select books from the Camden House catalogue to the value of £150 (or cash equivalent) and be invited to a prize-giving ceremony in the Bodleian Library on 16 June 2016. The deadline for submissions is noon on Friday 6 May 2016. More information can be found online: <http://www.ogn.ox.ac.uk/oxford-german-olympiad-2016>

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Jobs, Recruitment and Volunteering

3.4 Au Pair in Paris for Student in French

Paris based family (Mr & Ms Pourqu ry – Paris 16 me – France) would be happy to welcome anyone who studies/speaks French and would like to be an au-pair for one year from End of August 2016 to End of June/July 2017. The Au Pair would help look after 3 boys aged 6, 11 and 14 and help them with their homework and English, chatting in return for free food and accommodation and pay of 800 euros per month. The family is kind and friendly, and will help you with your French. The kids are great to look after; they are fun, they read books; they play piano, they like to listen music and play sports (tennis, rugby, football, swimming). Preference for male student.

If you are interested by the job and have any questions about the job, please get in touch with s.pourquery@orange.fr or philippe.pourquery@albea-group.com in French or in English.

Miscellaneous

3.5 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.

3.6 'The Prospect of Global History' Publication Announcement

The Prospect of Global History

Edited by James Belich, John Darwin, Margret Frenz, and Chris Wickham

Oxford Centre for Global History are delighted to announce the publication of *The Prospect of Global History* which brings together selected papers from the Oxford Centre for Global History's inaugural conference, 'New Directions in Global History' held on 27-29 September 2012.

The Prospect of Global History takes a new approach to the study of global history, seeking to apply it, as well as advocate it. The volume seeks perspectives on history from East Asian and Islamic sources as well as European ones, and insists on depth in historical analysis. *The Prospect of Global History* will speak to those interested in medieval and ancient history as well as modern history. Chapters range from historical sociology to economic history, from medieval to modern times, from European expansion to constitutional history, and from the United States across South Asia to China.

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John Darwin is Professor of Global and Imperial History at Oxford University. His recent books include *After Tamerlane: The Global History of Empire* (2007); *The Empire Project: The Rise and Fall of the British World-System 1830-1970* (2009); and *Unfinished Empire: The Global Expansion of Britain* (2012). He is currently working on the role of port cities in the globalization era of 1830-1930.

Margret Frenz has been Lecturer in Global and Imperial History at the University of Oxford. Her previous publications include *Community, Memory, and Migration in a Globalizing World: The Goan Experience, c. 1890-1980* (2014); *From Contact to Conquest. Transition to British Rule in Malabar, 1790-1805* (2003) and (edited with Georg Berkemer) *Sharing Sovereignty. The Little Kingdom in South Asia* (2003; revised edition forthcoming 2015). She has also published articles in leading journals such as *Past & Present* and *Immigrants and Minorities*.

Chris Wickham is Chichele Professor of Medieval History at the University of Oxford. He has written numerous books on Medieval Italy and, more widely, on Europe and the Mediterranean, up to 1250. He is a social historian, and also a comparative historian, committed to large-scale comparative work, as shown in his *Framing the Early Middle Ages* (2005). He has extended this comparative work widely, including to medieval China and the Islamic world.

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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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