

**English Department**

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**PhD Assistantship in English Literature****60 %**

The English Department of the University of Zurich invites applications for a PhD Assistant in the field of English literature to start on 1 August 2023 at the Chair for English Literature (Prof. Dr. Barbara Straumann). This postgraduate position is initially limited to three years, with the possibility of extension for a further three years. The position is open to candidates with a completed MA who are aiming for a PhD.

**Your responsibilities**

Individual work on a PhD project as well as other research activities (conference papers, publications, applications for external funding), independent teaching (two hours per week at BA level, starting out with the Textual Analysis module) and administrative tasks at departmental level.

**Your profile**

We are looking for a member of staff with an outstanding MA thesis in the field of English literature. You are well versed in English literature and cultural contexts (especially since 1800) and take a strong interest in theoretical approaches in literary and cultural studies. You are keen to work in a team collaborating on research and teaching. You are proficient in verbal, written, and interpersonal communication in English and have a competence in German or are eager to acquire a working knowledge of German in the first two years.

**What we offer**

We offer an assistant/PhD position with a workload of 60% (initially limited to a three-year period, with possible extension for up to 3 three years, salary according to canton regulations) in an internationally renowned, committed and collegial research team, which will support you in your independent research. The English Department offers an attractive, cooperative work environment with good infrastructure in an international, stimulating environment in central Zurich with full access to library services and IT facilities. You will be allocated a workspace in the department; the university's regulations allow staff to work from home for up to 40% of their weekly employment time.

**Place of work**

Englisches Seminar, Plattenstrasse, Zürich, Switzerland

**Start of employment**

Start of employment is 1 August 2023. Please submit your application in a single PDF document that includes a letter of motivation, curriculum vitae, degree certificates, the names and addresses of at least two references, a description of your PhD project and a writing sample (a seminar paper or a chapter from your MA thesis) by 20 February 2023.

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**Further information**

Prof. Dr. Barbara Straumann

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