



# Call for Applications

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The Max Weber Centre for Advanced Cultural and Social Studies (Max-Weber-Kolleg) at the University of Erfurt is an Institute for Advanced Studies and permanent graduate school. Within its Weberian research programme, it hosts several interdisciplinary research projects. Pending (available) funding, it currently invites applications for **up to**

## 2 doctoral positions for Ph.D. projects

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and

## 3 post-doctoral positions for habilitation projects

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in the fields of History and History of Religion within the framework of the research projects "The City in the History of Religion" and/or "Urbanity and Religion", directed by Prof. Dr. Susanne Rau and Prof. Dr. Jörg Rüpke.

Positions are to be filled by 1 October 2018 for a period of 36 (+12) months (Further extension possible, depending on personal requirements and institutional settings.).

The project examines the long-term relationships between urbanity and religion in cities of very different types from the first millennium BC onwards. Successful candidates will work on a project that connects problems of the history of urbanisation and urbanity with problems of the history of religion for cities or regions in Europe, the circum-Mediterranean area, West or South Asia from Antiquity onwards.

Successful candidates will participate in the project's research programme, engage in joint research and (in the case of the postdoctoral positions) take over administrative duties related to the project.

### Requirements

- Excellent degree (MA for doctoral, Doctorate/PhD for postdoctoral positions) in History or History of Religion or a closely related discipline
- Knowledge of English, German (at least reading skills; candidates without knowledge of German are requested to take courses), and other languages relevant for the research planned
- Willingness to cooperate within the research project and to take part in the study programme within the interdisciplinary research environment of the Max-Weber-Kolleg
- Willingness to pursue a doctorate or habilitation at the University of Erfurt, preferentially in History or History of Religion/Religious Studies

The research programme is outlined on the project's website <https://www.uni-erfurt.de/max-weber-kolleg/forschungsgruppen-und-stellen/forschungsgruppen-am-max-weber-kolleg/the-city-in-the-history-of-religion/>. For more information about the Max-Weber-Kolleg see: <https://www.uni-erfurt.de/max-weber-kolleg/>.

### Comments/Remarks

The University of Erfurt is an equal opportunity employer in compliance with the Thuringian Equal Opportunities Act (Thüringer Gleichstellungsgesetz). Qualified women are therefore strongly encouraged to apply. Handicapped applicants are given preference in cases of equal qualification.

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## Application Deadline

Please submit your application with CV, copies of your final school and university degrees, a copy of your MA or diploma resp. dissertation thesis, one letter of recommendation and an outline of the project you would like to pursue (2,500-5,000 words) with a stringent discussion of your research questions, the state of research on the topic, your methodological approach and the leading hypotheses as well as a working schedule and projected date of completion as pdf-files (maximum of 10 MB) and up to five publications (if applicable) by **23 May 2018** to:

University of Erfurt • Max-Weber-Kolleg • [mwk.bewerbungen@uni-erfurt.de](mailto:mwk.bewerbungen@uni-erfurt.de)

Interviews will be conducted in the second half of June 2018.

## Notice

The University of Erfurt does not refund any costs incurred in the application process.