



PhD Program between the Freie Universität Berlin (FUB) and the China Scholarship Council (CSC)

**Open PhD Position at Freie Universität Berlin,
offered only to Chinese CSC scholarship candidates 2024**

Department/Institute: German and Dutch Philology

Subject area: historical linguistics or history of linguistics

Name of Supervisor: Horst Simon

Number of open PhD positions: 1

Type of the PhD Study: Full-time or Sandwich-Model

Project title: The early history of linguistics: foreign language studies in the Early Modern period, within Europe and beyond

PhD Project description:

While philosophers have studied language problems since antiquity, a decidedly empirical approach to language emerges only in the Early Modern period. This project should ideally focus on either an aspect of language learning and teaching in the context of the European colonial expansion (aka 'missionary linguistics') or on multilingual practices within Early Modern Europe. One could study the linguistic content of one or more Early Modern foreign language textbooks in their sociocultural contexts with regard to their value for the understanding of the history of languages and linguistics.

Language requirements:

- IELTS: 6,5 oder TOEFL: 95 ibt

Or

- Test Daf 16 bzw. DSH 2

Academic requirements:

a master's degree in linguistics or a philology (with a linguistic focus)

*Linguistically founded knowledge of two or more of the relevant languages is essential.
Experience with historical manifestations of the relevant language(s) is highly desirable.*

Information of the professor or research group leader (website, awards etc.):

long-standing principal investigator of a relevant project <<https://www.sfb-episteme.de/en/teilprojekte/handeln/C08/index.html>>.

general information: <www.histling.de>

Please Note: In a first step, the complete application should be uploaded to the [online portal](https://fuberlin.moveon4.de/form/60acfece5d328710e40bdbd5/eng) (<https://fuberlin.moveon4.de/form/60acfece5d328710e40bdbd5/eng>) for evaluation by January 15th, 2024. Please do not contact the professor before. He/she will get in contact with you after having received the complete application via the International Office of Freie Universität Berlin in January.