

The Center for Mind, Brain and Cognitive Evolution
announces fellowships
2018-2019

Call for fellowships 2018/2019 - Deadline for applications: January 5th, 2018

The Center for Mind, Brain and Cognitive Evolution is a platform at the Ruhr-University Bochum that aims to foster interdisciplinary research projects and support special master-programs at the intersection of philosophy, psychology, psychiatry, computational modelling and neuroscience. We are pleased to announce an international call for fellowships from 1st February 2018 until 31st March 2019 aimed at outstanding researchers. We are flexible concerning the exact visiting period. People who did receive a fellowship do not qualify for further application.

1) Senior fellowship in philosophy and psychiatry (for one month):

Applicants must have been awarded a doctoral degree and they must have an outstanding publication record in the area of philosophy or psychiatry, with a strong interdisciplinary connection to the respective counterpart. The applicants are expected to work at least on the level of an associate professor. The research could be related to the research area of social cognition, especially with the projects. Applications are due by January 5th, 2018. Please send your application as well as requests for further information to Prof. Dr. Martin Brüne (martin.bruene@rub.de) and Prof. Dr. Albert Newen (albert.newen@rub.de).

2) Senior fellowship (for one month) or junior fellowship (for two months) in animal mind research:

Senior applicants are expected to work at least on the level of an associate professor and should be able to connect with the animal studies in the lab of Prof. Onur Güntürkün. They must have an outstanding publication record based on animal studies. We expect strong interdisciplinary interests and the publications should also contribute to the theoretical understanding of animal minds. Junior applicants must have a PhD and at least published four articles in peer-reviewed journals, two of which are dealing with theoretical accounts concerning animal cognition. Applications are due by January, 5th, 2018. Please send your application as well as requests for further information to Prof. Dr. Onur Güntürkün (onur.guentuerkuen@rub.de) or Prof. Dr. Albert Newen (albert.newen@rub.de)

3) Junior-fellowship in philosophy of perception and/or social cognition (for two or three months):

Applicant must have been awarded a doctoral degree and they must have an outstanding publication record in the area of philosophy, with a strong interdisciplinary connection to developmental psychology or neuroscience. The applicants for the junior fellowship are expected to work at least on the level of an advanced postdoc. A research proposal of the candidate should be related to the research project "Situated Cognition. Perceiving the world and understanding other minds". Applications are due

by January, 5th, 2018. For further information and application please contact Claudia Smart (claudia.smart@rub.de).

4) Junior-fellowship in philosophy of perception and/or formal epistemology (for one or two months):

The Emmy Noether Research Group „From Perception To Belief and Back Again“ and the Center for Mind Brain and Cognitive Evolution invite applications for a Junior-Fellowship in Philosophy of Perception and/ or Formal Epistemology. Applicants must have been awarded a doctoral degree and they must have an outstanding publication record in at least one of the mentioned areas of research. The applicants for the fellowship are expected to work at least on the level of postdoc and below the level of full-professor. Ideally the research the applicant intends to conduct during the fellowship is relevant for the research conducted by the Emmy-Noether Research Group “From Perception To Belief and Back Again“ or one of its members. Letters of recommendation are not necessary for this Junior-Fellowship. Applications are due by January 5th, 2018. For further information and application please contact Peter Brössel (perception-belief@rub.de).

5) Junior Fellowship in the Philosophy of Episodic Memory (for one or two months)

Applicants must have been awarded a doctoral degree and they must have a strong publication record in the area of philosophy of mind and/or epistemology with a close interdisciplinary connection to cognitive and neuro-science. The research proposal should be related to the philosophy of episodic memory and should connect to accounts on memory developed in the Mercator Research Group “Structures of Memory”. The candidate should be on track for a promising postdoc career in philosophy and should be open for active collaborations. Applications are due by January 5, 2018. Please send your application as well as requests for further information to Professor Dr. Markus Werning (markus.werning@rub.de).

6) Junior Fellowship in Social Philosophy (for one or two months)

The research group “A Study in Explanatory Power: Philosophical Perspectives on the Explanation of Social Phenomena”, generously funded by the Volkswagen Foundation and the Center for Mind Brain and Cognitive Evolution, invites applications for a Junior Fellowship on a topic that lies at the intersection of the foci of the research group and the Center (for instance: the psychological grounds of social reality, social cognition, social epistemology, or theories of cultural evolution). Applicants must have been awarded a doctoral degree before the time of application, and they must have a publication record. A letter of recommendation is not required for this fellowship. The research group is based at the University of Duisburg-Essen. The fellow will be asked to join a weekly research seminar and to present her/his work in a colloquium in Essen, in addition to the involvement at the Center described below. Office space will be provided at both institutions (ten minutes from Bochum main station to Essen main station, less than one hour from campus to campus, public transportation roughly every 10 minutes). Applications are due by January 5, 2018. Please send your application as well as requests for further information to Dr. Raphael van Riel (Raphael.vanRiel@uni-due.de).

All fellows are invited to deliver a fellow lecture and will participate in an interdisciplinary research program and are asked to offer a presentation for master students of the program "Cognitive Science".

Applications should include:

1. A (brief) letter of application including personal information academic background, and research interests (please indicate the number of and the title of the fellowship you apply for).
2. A brief proposal for a research project (1-2 pages) if the fellowship is planned for at least two months.
3. CV including a list of publications, talks, conferences attended and teaching experience.
4. One representative article as PDF document.
5. Only for applicants for a junior fellowship: one letter of recommendation addressing the applicants' qualification for a research project. This should be sent from the referees directly or through a letter service.

All documents of the candidate should be sent electronically. We regret that we will not be able to return any submitted material.