

The Francke Foundations hold unique and rich collections covering the cultural history of the long eighteenth century as well as more recent history. The aim of the scholarship programme is to promote interdisciplinary and internationally well-connected research into the history of the Francke Foundations in its diverse regional, European and transcontinental dimensions.

Research at the Francke Foundations in Halle

Dr. Liselotte Kirchner Scholarship Programme





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and

Residence Programme for Junior Academics

Dr. Liselotte Kirchner Scholarship Programme

The Francke Foundations initiated the Dr. Liselotte Kirchner Scholarship Programme to fund research into the history of the Francke Foundations based on their extensive library and archival collections. The main focus lies on the use of handwritten and printed collections kept in the Archive and Library of the August Hermann Francke Study Centre. Another aim is to promote interdisciplinary exchanges on the campus of the Francke Foundations.

Subjects

The scholarship's central topic is interdisciplinary research into the history of the Francke Foundations and their collections dating from the late seventeenth to the twentieth century, embedded in an international context. The following list offers a range of core themes and fields of interest. Current research questions, methodological approaches, and subjectspecific topics reaching beyond these themes are welcomed, too, provided they are related to the history of the Foundations or the collections available at the Foundations:

- > Cultural contacts and cultural transfer within Europe and with the extra-European world;
- Political, social and communication history;
- > Protestant Pietist movements and religious practices;
- > Material culture and the history of collections;
- The culture of remembrance, Historicization, reception history, and image politics;
- The Francke Foundations' Publishing House and Library;
- The history of books;
- The history of schools and educational history;
- Architectural and art history;
- > Economic, financial and administrative history;
- > Medical and pharmaceutical history;
- > The history of music and hymnological culture.



Guest rooms are available in the historic Long House

The Dr. Liselotte Kirchner Scholarship Programme offers

- › A stimulating intellectual environment with diverse scientific and cultural events organized by the Foundations and other facilities on the campus of the Francke Foundations:
- > The possibility of carrying out research in a vibrant, historic location in the centre of Halle;
- > Free access to the extensive literature kept at the modern Research Library, the holdings of the Historic Library, and the Archive of the Francke Foundations;
- > Free accommodation in plain guest rooms located on the Foundations' premises (if available);
- Child care facilities on the Foundations' premises during working hours (upon request);
- Free access to the Foundations' exhibitions and museums;
- Upon request, the possibility of using the SV Francke 08 e.V.'s sports facilities on the Foundations' premises during the scholarship period.

The following scholarships are available

- > Three-month scholarships (€ 1,800 per month) to be awarded to senior scholars from Germany and abroad for research in the Francke Foundations (postdoc). This sum includes all related costs, such as overnight stay, travel, insurance, working materials, etc.
- > Three-month scholarships (€ 1,250 per month) to be awarded to junior academics for research in the Francke Foundations. This sum includes all related costs such as overnight stay, travel, insurance, working materials, etc. Upon request, junior academics from outside Europe can apply for a reimbursement of their travel expenses up to a maximum of € 400.

Both scholarships imply the requirement to reside in Halle, to present a scholarly lecture and to submit a concise report on the research carried out within the framework of the scholarship. In both cases, applications for a scholarship period of less than three months are possible.



Application documents

- > Curriculum vitae;
- › List of publications;
- > Project outline of 3 to 5 pages explaining why the research project needs to be carried out at the Francke Foundations and how it is embedded in the current research landscape;
- › Brief working programme, including a statement on how the research results will be published or used beyond the scholarship period;
- One or more letters of recommendation.

Application deadlines

Complete applications must be submitted before 15 October of each year. The selection will be made shortly after this date. Applicants will generally be informed by mid-December. Recipients can commence their scholarship the following year.

Please send your application as a PDF with the keyword »Scholarship Programme« to the address given on page 1.

Residence Programme for Junior Academics

With its Residence Programme, the Francke Foundations support junior academics whose career stage is between the bachelor's degree and the first postdoc project. Early career scholars studying topics related to the history of the Foundations or the handwritten and printed collections available in the Foundations' Archive and Library are given the opportunity to conduct research on location for at least two weeks and a maximum of three months. Plain guest rooms are available free of charge in the historic Long House during their stay. Financial support is not provided. However, the Residence Programme does offer the possibility to visit the Foundations' museum facilities and to participate in the manuscript reading course provided by the August Hermann Francke Study Centre. This annual event is held in the second half of August.

Applications can be submitted throughout the year. The minimum requirement is a bachelor's degree.

Application documents

- > Curriculum vitae, including name of university, subjects taken (if applicable, the number of semesters), name and date of the degree awarded;
- > List of publications;

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- > Project outline of 2 to 3 pages;
- Information on the duration of the stay and the desired start of the residence;
- › An academic reference (for instance, the project supervisor).

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