

Call for proposals: Research Traineeship Programme 2024

To all the members of the academic staff at the Faculty of Humanities,

The Faculty Board would like to inform you about a faculty-internal call for project proposals, which allows successful applicants to hire two students as research trainees for a period of seven months. This initiative is funded by the 'Middelen Kwaliteitsafspraken' and is based on the "KNAW Academy Assistants" Programme. The Research Traineeship Programme aims at high-potential third year bachelor and master students who are interested in conducting scientific research and pursuing an academic career. You can view the projects of previous years at:

<https://www.student.universiteitleiden.nl/en/vr/humanities/research-traineeship/>.

For each awarded project, the Programme funds two student research assistants for a period of seven months (1 February - 31 August 2024) for 0,15 fte (5.7 hours per week). The intended outcome of the projects should be papers and/or research proposals.

We are looking for supervisors who want to take on a project and have a research topic in mind that preferably benefits from an interdisciplinary approach. The research topic should lead to academically challenging tasks for the student research assistants. If you are interested in participating in this Programme, please send us a short research proposal as outlined in the template (as shown in attachment).

Please send your proposals (in English or Dutch) to researchtrainee@hum.leidenuniv.nl **Friday 13 October 2023 at the latest**. An independent committee will evaluate the proposals; subsequent notification of the committee decision will be given by the end of November.

Quick facts:

- We have funding for multiple research trainees;
- Each individual trainee gets a 0.15 fte appointment for 7 months;
- Project supervision by two researchers, either professors, lecturers (UHD/UD) or postdocs, of the Faculty of Humanities;
- Project proposals will be assessed by a review committee consisting of peer scholars;
- Only third-year bachelor students and master students can be hired for these projects;
- Submit proposal on 13 October 2023 at the latest;
- Start of the project on 1 February 2024;
- Small material budget available for each project;

For more information you can contact us at researchtrainee@hum.leidenuniv.nl

Best wishes,

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