Fellowships at the Edward Worth Library, Dublin

The Edward Worth Library, Dublin, is offering one research fellowship (duration on month) to be held in 2018, to encourage research relevant to its collections. The Worth Library is a collection of 4,300 books, left to Dr Steevens' Hospital by Edward Worth (1676-1733), an early eighteenth-century Dublin physician. The collection is particularly strong in three areas: early modern medicine, early modern history of science and, given that Worth was a connoisseur book collector interested in fine bindings and rare printing, the History of the Book. Research does not, however, have to be restricted to these three key areas. Further information about the collection and our catalogues may be found on our website: www.edwardworthlibrary.ie

The stipend is to the value of €2000 per month, during a period preferably between June and November.

Fellows will be expected to reside in Dublin and to attend the Library during opening hours. Fellows are required to publish within a reasonable timescale (for example, 18 months to 2 years) their findings at the Worth Library either in the form of an article or a book, or part of a book; if appropriate the fellow may be asked to give a seminar or lecture on his or her chosen topic.

Previous fellows have examined the following topics:

- 1. Syphilis in print in the Edward Worth Library: Dr Magdalena Kozluk
- 2. Petrus de Crescentiis' Ruralia commoda: Dr Danielle Westerhof.

- 3. Hartsoeker and his Cartesian Instructors: Medicine and Mechanism at the Universities of Leiden and Amsterdam in the 1670s: Dr Catherine Abou-Nemeh.
- 4. Publications on early modern parliaments: Dr Bríd McGrath.
- 5. Anatomy and Antiquarianism: the artistic sources of early anatomical illustration: Dr Clare Guest.
- 6. Bryan Robinson (1680-1754): Newtonian Chymistry and Medicine in Dublin: Dr Anna Marie Roos.
- 7. Animals in Early Modern Travellers' Tales: Ms Florencia Pierri.
- 8. Between theory and practice: local knowledge in early modern Irish medicine: Dr Hannah Murphy.
- 9. Measurement, Experimentation and Exegesis in Seventeenth-Century Medicine: A Survey of the Scientific Legacy of Santorio Santorio in Northern Europe through the editions kept at the Worth Library': Dr Fabrizio Bigotti.
- 10. The role of correspondence in early modern medical texts: Mr Niall Hodson.
- 11. Natural History Book Collecting and Exchange In and Between Dublin and London: Ms Alice Marples.
- 12. From comparative anatomy to the comparative study of fossils and animals (16th-17th centuries): Dr Domenico Laurenza.
- 13. A study of early-modern military medicine and the Republic of Letters at the Worth Library: Dr Benjamin Hazard.
- 14. The interaction of new forms of representation and illustration within the practice of early modern medicine: Ms Megan Baumhammer.
- 15. The Anglican Edward Worth: Books of Common Prayer and sermons in the Worth Library: Dr Ralph Stevens.

Applications to include:

– CV of the applicant.

_ References from two referees.

- Summary of proposed research (approx. 250–300 words)

- Preferred dates

In addition applicants must specify whether they are salaried or in receipt of any scholarship or stipend. They must also specify whether they have applied for any other travel or research scholarship to work in Irish libraries or archives. Fellowships are non-renewable.

Applications to be sent via e-mail, with a formal covering letter, to:

Dr Elizabethanne Boran,

Librarian,

The Edward Worth Library,

Dr Steevens' Hospital,

Dublin 8,

Ireland.

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Please note that candidates must arrange for two references to be submitted by Monday 26 March 2018. Referees may submit their references via e-mail to the same address.

The closing date for applications is Monday 26 March 2018.