

# Beyond Borders

## Migration, Exchange and Communication in the Ancient World

First International Workshop of the *MSAC*, October 28-30, 2020, Münster

The *Münster School of Ancient Cultures (MSAC)*, whose foundation is currently under way, invites Master students in the final phase of their studies as well as PhD candidates researching ancient cultures and their reception in a broader sense to participate in an international workshop. The workshop offers the opportunity to learn about the curriculum of the *MSAC*, to get in touch with representatives of related fields of study and to discuss topics of one's own work. The aim of the *MSAC* is to enable PhD students to expand their network not only beyond the borders of their subject matter, but beyond state borders, and to further the participant's skills through specialized classes, events and coaching.

The workshop outlines the opportunities the *MSAC* presents and informs about the various possibilities of designing one's individual path of PhD studies both nationally and internationally. The presentation and discussion of research topics and questions related to the crossing of borders lies at the heart of the workshop. This includes not only the migration of individuals or groups, but also the exchange of ideas and goods, different ways of communication or mutual influences of languages and cultures. Presentations do not need to offer final results. Participants are welcome to share single aspects of their research or to discuss ideas for their PhD project in a laid-back setting.

The workshop will take place from October 28 to 30, 2020, in Münster (in the premises of the Cluster of Excellence "Religion and Politics", Johannisstraße 4). Presentations of about 10-15 minutes can be held either in German or in English. Please direct your application consisting of a letter of motivation (1 page) that includes a sketch of your research project (Master thesis, PhD topic, other research venture), a proposition for a topic you would like to present as well as your CV to the Centrum für Geschichte und Kultur des östlichen Mittelmeerraums at [gkm@uni-muenster.de](mailto:gkm@uni-muenster.de). Application deadline is July 27, 2020.

Workshop places are limited. Participants are invited to apply for admission into the *MSAC* after the workshop. For further questions related to the workshop or your application, please contact the Centrum für Geschichte und Kultur des östlichen Mittelmeerraums at [gkm@uni-muenster.de](mailto:gkm@uni-muenster.de) or via phone: +49 251 83-22572.

### Program

Wednesday, October 28, 2020	<p>2 p.m. Official Welcome Presentation of the <i>MSAC</i></p> <p><b>Subject Area 1: Internationalization</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Internationalization of PhD studies</li> <li>- Support provided by Münster University</li> <li>- International trainings offered by the Graduate Centre</li> </ul>
Thursday, October 29, 2020	<p><b>Subject Area 2: Networks &amp; Networking</b></p> <p>Presentation and discussion of individual research projects in three thematic blocks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Migration</li> <li>- Exchange</li> <li>- Communication</li> </ul> <p><i>Integrated: mentoring and individual PhD counseling</i></p>
Friday, October 30, 2020	<p><b>Subject Area 3: MSAC perspectives</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- structure, classes &amp; events, mentoring</li> </ul> <p>ca. 4 p.m. end of the workshop</p>