

Oxford Brookes University
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences
Department of History, Philosophy and Religion

To mark its 150th Anniversary, Oxford Brookes University is pleased to offer a number of full-time PhD Studentships across a range of subject areas in the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, starting in January 2015. Applications are invited for a PhD Studentship in **Image and Representation in Religion in England and Wales, 1700 to 1900**. The supervisory team will be led by Professor William Gibson, Professor of Ecclesiastical History. The purpose of this research project is to examine the ways in which religion in England and Wales was represented in art and material culture in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. The conception of 'religion in England and Wales' is taken broadly to enable the successful doctoral candidate to take a full part in shaping the project, Nonetheless the legal establishment of the Church of England will frame the project, even if the focus of the research is on religion beyond the Church and Christianity. Avenues of exploration will include: religious paintings, portraiture and the representation of clergy, architecture and the landscape and settings of religious buildings, prints and satires and contemporary theological preoccupations. The project will also draw upon and promote the University's own art collections. A full project description will be provided in the application pack.

The successful candidate will receive an annual payment of **£14,000** for a maximum of three years to cover Home/EU fees (currently £3,966 per annum) and provide a stipend towards living expenses.

As a successful applicant, you will join a supportive and research-active Department. For more information on the Department of History, Philosophy and Religion visit <http://www.history.brookes.ac.uk>

Eligibility: Applications are invited from Home/EU students only. We are looking to recruit a candidate of the highest quality and who is capable of submitting a Ph.D. thesis within 3 years. Applicants are expected to have completed a relevant Masters degree prior to the Studentship start date. The Studentship holder may also be required to complete supplementary research methods training in their first year of study. Applicants should also be able to demonstrate strong research capabilities and be fluent in spoken and written English.

Deadline: The closing date for applications is 17:00 on **Monday 24th November**

Interview date: Interviews will be held on in the week commencing **8th December**.

Start date: **January 26th 2015**

How to apply: To request an application pack, a project description and for further details of how to apply, please contact the Research Administrator, Charmian Hearne. Please specify which studentship you are applying for.

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