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**RESEARCH ASSOCIATE ON AHRC PROJECT 'COLONIAL AND TRANSNATIONAL
INTIMACIES: MEDICAL HUMANITARIANISM IN THE FRENCH EXTERNAL RESISTANCE,
1940-1945'**

VACANCY REF: HUM-016161

Salary: £32,816 per annum (pro rata)
Hours: 0.8FTE
Duration: starting 1 March 2021 until 31 October 2022
Location: Oxford Road, Manchester

Enquiries about the vacancy, shortlisting and interviews:

Name: Laure Humbert

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Overall Purpose of the Role

You will work alongside Dr Laure Humbert, Professor Bertrand Taithe and Dr Marie-Luce Desgrandchamps on the project. The project team will investigate international medical cooperation during the Second World War and explore how intimate hospital encounters transformed individual and collective group identities, shaped international diplomatic and military cooperation and, in some cases, fuelled anti-colonial dynamics using a variety of source materials and methodological approaches. Much of the research will focus on different forms of life writings as well as archival records held in different countries.

You will be responsible for carrying out research in different archival repositories (mostly in France) identified by the PI, for locating other relevant material, for collecting data via digital images and transcription and for securing and organising the data. The Research Associate will

produce regular written reports during the data collection stage of the project, and regular analytical reports during the analysis and writing stages. The Research Associate will co-author at least one article and write a single authored article and present papers at the project workshops and at UK conferences. The Research Associate will also take part in the impact activities and use social media to gain practical experience in public engagement and research impact.

Key Responsibilities, Accountabilities or Duties:

- To carry out original research in different archival repositories mainly in France on medical humanitarianism
- To prepare at least one single-authored and contribute to at least one co-authored output in line with the objectives of the project
- To disseminate the results of research at conferences
- To engage in impact-related activities in the UK as appropriate
- To help publicise the project and project-related activities as appropriate, including writing blog posts for the project website and contribute to the twitter feeds
- To participate in regular project meetings in Manchester or remotely, in order to discuss progress and help ensure the project is kept on track
- To assist with project management as required, including with travel and other arrangements for the project workshops

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Essential Knowledge, Skills and Experience:

- Completed PhD (or equivalent) in a relevant subject area, e.g. history of humanitarian aid, medicine, empire, race, gender, emotions, French resistance, war, life-writing
- Excellent oral and written communication skills in French and English
- Knowledge and experience of conducting relevant archival research
- Demonstrate commitment to scholarly collaboration and teamwork

Desirable Knowledge, Skills, Experience and Qualifications:

- Track record of publications in a relevant subject area appropriate to career stage
- Evidence of interest in cross-disciplinary research
- Ability to conduct research in a language other than English and French
- Experience of public engagement or research impact activities
- Experience of organising conferences and/or other events



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