



## PhD position, corpus and field research on a Tibeto-Burman language

Applications are invited to fill a PhD position in the research group “Non-hierarchicality in grammar. Construction formation without word class distinction across categories and languages” (Emmy Noether Group, DFG (German Research Foundation)) led by PI Dr. Uta Reinöhl at the Department of English and Linguistics of the University of Mainz (Germany).

The PhD candidate will participate in the description of a Tibeto-Burman language spoken in Northeast India. Her/his research focus may be in phonology, phonetics, syntax, or in related fields. S/he will collaborate with the principal investigator in building up a language documentation corpus. Short field trips will be part of the research programme. S/he will conduct research with other PhD candidates and the principal investigator on complex expressions combining elements of the same syntactic class, cross-linguistically and cross-categorially. S/he will be involved in collaborative research with project partners from the Australian National University and the University of Cologne.

The ideal candidate has:

- an MA degree (or an equivalent degree that allows for entering a doctoral programme) in linguistics, phonetics or in a related field by the end of February 2019
- research interests in one or several of the following sub-disciplines: phonology, phonetics, syntax, morpho-syntax, typology, language documentation
- a keen interest in working on an under-documented, endangered Tibeto-Burman language
- a keen interest in building up a language documentation corpus and in participating in short field trips
- social skills facilitating collaborative research with native speakers as well as within the research unit
- (optionally) language competence in Hindi or another New Indo-Aryan language and/or in a Tibeto-Burman language

Further information on the research unit can be found here:

<http://gepris.dfg.de/gepris/projekt/406074683>

Planned starting date: March 1<sup>st</sup> 2019

Funding: E13 TV-L (65%) – Three years (with a possible extension to four years)

Application Deadline: Dec 10<sup>th</sup> 2018

Applications from severely disabled persons with equivalent qualifications will be given preference.

All application documents (a letter of motivation, CV, course transcript, certificates of completed degrees, two examples of representative written work, two names of references) should be sent by email to [uta.reinoehl@gmail.com](mailto:uta.reinoehl@gmail.com) by **December 10<sup>th</sup> 2018**. Any enquiries can be sent to the same address.