



University of Reading

SURVIVING ARCHIVE FEVER: WORKING EFFECTIVELY IN WORLD ARCHIVES

South West and Wales Doctoral Training Partnership
University of Reading Training Opportunity

9 November 2016 from 11:00 to 16:00 University of Reading

Hosted by Professor Alison Donnell, Head of the School of Languages and Literatures at the University of Reading, and by the Centre for Collections Based Research of the University of Reading's Museums and Special Collections.

What do you need to know in order to get the most out of archival research and working with museum and archive professionals in research contexts, both in the UK and internationally?

This Training Day is designed to guide students through the challenges – and opportunities – awaiting the doctoral researcher abroad. Hands-on experience with Special Collections archival materials from the University of Reading collections will be conjoined with structured guidance from expert researchers and collections professionals with experience in the UK, Europe, Asian and the Americas.

Seminar Leaders

- Guy Baxter, University Archivist, University of Reading
- Professor Alison Donnell, Head of the School of Languages and Literatures, University of Reading
- Dr Rhi Smith, Programme Director in Collections Based Research, Director of the Institute for Heritage and Creativity, University of Reading
- Dr Florian Stadler and Dr Felicity Gee, Lecturers in Global Literature, University of Exeter
- Dr Andy Willimott and Samantha Sherry, Lecturers in History, University of Reading

SCHEDULE

11:00 to 13:00

Working Effectively in Archives Contexts

with: Guy Baxter and Rhi Smith

- Navigating Collections to Find What You Need
- Cataloguing Structures
- Handling Archives and Collections Care Basics
- What's There, What's Not and Why
- Asking the Right Questions of the Right People
- Ethics and Integrity

13:00 to 14:00

Lunch

14:00 to 16:00

Working Effectively in Overseas Archives

with:

- Dr Felicity Gee (Cuban Archives)
- Dr Florian Stadler (South Asian Archives)
- Dr Andy Willimott and Samantha Sherry (Russian Archives)
- further contributions from senior researchers working in American, and European Archives are also expected

Contact on the day:

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INFO LINKS

- South West and Wales DTP Training: <http://www.sww-ahdtp.ac.uk/dtp-training/collaborative-training-events/>
- Centre for Collections Based Research, University of Reading: <http://www.reading.ac.uk/collectionsresearch/>
- University of Reading Special Collections: <http://www.reading.ac.uk/special-collections/>
- Professor Alison Donnell: <http://www.reading.ac.uk/english-literature/aboutus/Staff/a-j-donnell.aspx>
- Dr Rhi Smith <https://www.reading.ac.uk/collectionsresearch/About-us/Rhianedd-Smith.aspx>
- Dr Florian Stadler: <https://humanities.exeter.ac.uk/english/staff/stadtler/>
- Dr Felicity Gee: <http://humanities.exeter.ac.uk/english/staff/gee/>
- Dr Andy Willimott: <https://www.reading.ac.uk/history/about/staff/a-willimott.aspx>