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[0] Obituary Notice / Notice nécrologique



IN MEMORIAM IVARS AVOTINS

From Doug Gerber (photo provided by Bonnie MacLachlan)

Ivars Avotins, professor emeritus at the University of Western Ontario, passed away October 18. Born in Riga, Latvia, he received his BA from the University of Toronto and his MA and PhD from Harvard. After teaching for two years at Berkeley he became a member of Western's Classics Department. He taught graduate courses on Lucretius and published books on Philostratus and Roman law. His linguistic expertise in both Greek and Latin was a source of envy to his colleagues.

[1] Association Announcements & News / Annonces et nouvelles de la Société



CAC 2014 ANNUAL MEETING — CALL FOR PAPERS

From Hans Beck

The Annual Meeting of the Classical Association of Canada (CAC) will be held at McGill University in Montreal, May 6

[3] Positions Available / Postes à combler

THE AMERICAN SCHOOL OF CLASSICAL STUDIES AT ATHENS POSITIONS AVAILABLE: ELIZABETH A. WHITEHEAD VISITING PROFESSORS One or Two Positions (pending funding) Deadline extended to December 2, 2013

From Mary Darlington

Term: Early September 2014 to June 1, 2015.

Qualifications: A senior scholar with a significant record of publication and teaching in a North American institution and a member of the Managing Committee or faculty/staff from a Cooperating Institution. Preference will be given to those who have not received recent support from the School. Candidates who have held the Whitehead Professorship may apply if the previous term was at least five years prior.

Mission: Advancing research on a project, which utilizes the facilities of the School and enriches the academic program of the School. Whitehead Professors are encouraged to present a seminar during the winter term on the subject of their expertise and to contribute to the academic program in other significant ways, such as mentoring or advising students at the School and participating in School trips and excursions.

Compensation: Stipend of \$35,000, plus round-trip coach airfare to Athens, board at Loring Hall for the Whitehead Professor (one-half senior rate for spouse, and one-half student rate for dependents) and School housing. Hotel and transportation on all fall trips and transportation on all winter Attica excursions. Limited amount of office supplies.

Application:

- Curriculum vitae including list of publications
- Statement of current and projected research
- One page description of proposed seminar and other contributions to the academic program
- Account of the frequency and length of earlier visits to Greece
- Three letters of recommendation to be sent directly to the address below or via email to application@ascsa.org
- Applicants may be invited to an interview at the annual AIA/APA meetings or by telephone

E-mail application to: application@ascsa.org

Committee on Personnel
American School of Classical Studies at Athens
6-8 Charlton Street
Princeton, NJ 08540-5232

The appointments will be announced by January 15, 2014.

Follow this link to [the bulletin posted on the ASCSA website](#).

The American School of Classical Studies at Athens does not discriminate on the basis of race, age, sex, sexual orientation, color, religion, ethnic origin, or disability when considering admission to any form of membership or application for employment.

UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY LECTURER IN ANCIENT GREEK HISTORY

From Eric Csapo

The University of Sydney — Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences — School of Philosophical and Historical Inquiry

Reference No. 2226/1013

Full-time, continuing: \$104.6K — \$124.2K p.a. (including salary, leave loading and up to 17% super)

The University of Sydney's Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences has a proud history of intellectual rigour and offers a vibrant research and teaching environment. The School of Philosophical and Historical Inquiry (SOPHI) is one of four schools in the Faculty, made up of the departments of Archaeology, Classics and Ancient History, Gender and Cultural Studies, History and Philosophy. The School brings together an exciting group of academics and students who

participate in a wide array of undergraduate and postgraduate programs. It is home to some of the most outstanding researchers and teachers in Australia and the world, and regularly hosts prominent visitors and international colloquia.

The Department of Classics and Ancient History at the University of Sydney is internationally renowned for its excellence in research and teaching in all aspects of Greco-Roman antiquity. It collaborates closely with members of the sister departments of Archaeology and Philosophy.

The School invites applications for a continuing lectureship (broadly equivalent in the US system to a tenure-track Assistant Professor) in Ancient Greek History. As a Lecturer in Ancient Greek History, you will teach the first-year Ancient Greek History unit as well as specialist senior units from areas of your expertise dealing with the social, cultural, and political history of Greece from the Archaic to the Hellenistic period. In addition to Greek history, expertise in epigraphy, material culture or reception studies would be welcome. You will be expected to participate in graduate teaching and supervision as appropriate and you may from time to time be invited to teach in the Classics (Greek and Latin) areas of the undergraduate curriculum.

The expected commencement date is mid-2014. The position is full-time continuing, subject to the completion of a satisfactory probation and confirmation period for new appointees.

Remuneration package Lecturer (Academic Level B): \$104,644 to \$124,263 (which includes a base salary \$88,426 to \$105,004 p.a., leave loading and up to 17% employer's contribution to superannuation).

All applications must be submitted via the [University of Sydney careers website](#). Search by the reference number 2226/1013 for more information and to apply.

Closing Date: **10 December 2013 (11.30 pm Sydney time)**

Please note: for those unfamiliar with the Australian system it is worth stressing that this post is broadly equivalent in the Canadian system to a tenure-track Assistant Professor.

Follow these links for [further information about our Department](#) and [about our Research Centre](#).

The University is an equal opportunity employer committed to equity, diversity and social inclusion. Applications from equity target groups and women are encouraged. The University of Sydney has also established a scheme to increase the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff employed across the institution. Applications from people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent are encouraged.

[4] Conferences & Lectures; Calls for Papers / Conférences; appels à communications

ἡδύτης – δουλεία – *servitus* – slavery

**BROCK UNIVERSITY
FEBRUARY 8, 2014**

From Allison Glazebrook

Slavery is common across cultures, time periods, and geographical regions. How do different systems of slavery inform each other, as well as contribute to modern understanding of slave systems more broadly?

The graduate students in the Department of Classics at Brock University, in St. Catharines, Ontario, are organizing a conference that seeks to explore slavery throughout history. We are interested in the institution of slavery in various societies, ancient and modern, in using a variety of disciplinary approaches (archaeological, historical, sociological) and in exploring slaves in different media, such as art and literature. We welcome papers covering a broad range of topics, although we are particularly interested in papers that use a comparative approach, particularly for the ancient context. Some topics worth considering are, but not limited to, the following:

- Gender and Slavery
- The material culture of Slavery
- The Terminology of Slavery
- Slavery and the Economy
- Slavery as the result of military conflict
- Chattel slavery and, or versus, serfdom
- What does it mean to be a slave society?

sent in pdf format to Dr. Conor Whately of the University of Winnipeg: c.whately@uwinnipeg.ca.

There should be no indication of the student's identity on the essay document itself. Instead, the required information should be provided on a separate document (also sent electronically) that indicates the student's name, email address, university affiliation, and the title of the paper. If the essay is being submitted by an instructor the name and email address of the applicant should be included.

The essay should be submitted as it was written for its course without revisions, with the exception of typographical corrections. It should be 15-22 pages in length (including bibliography) and double-spaced. Students may submit only one essay per year.

The judging is based on both the essay's content and its form: the winning essay must be well written, clearly organized and free from errors of grammar and syntax; and the contest winner will have made good use of the pertinent sources, have covered their chosen subject thoroughly, and ideally have provided new insights on their chosen topic. The deadline for submitting material to the competition is **April 30th, 2014**. The winner will be notified in July (2014) and will be announced in a subsequent SCAPAT newsletter.

[6] Academic Programs, Summer Study, Field Schools / Programmes académiques, cours d'été, écoles de terrain

FIELD OPPORTUNITIES IN CLASSICAL ARCHAEOLOGY TRANSYLVANIA, ROMANIA

From Alexander Brown

Sitting at the crossroads between Europe and Asia, Transylvania (Romania) plays a fundamental role in the development of the European world. By its geographic location, it is situated on the main communication and technological axes in and out of Europe and, as a result, became a very dynamic zone of culture synthesis. At the same time, not only it has the largest salt concentration in Eastern and Southeastern Europe, but it also provides easy access to massive deposits of copper, tin, iron, gold and coal. Since the earliest moments of tribal and then state formation, Transylvania has been at the core of most power struggles in Eastern-Southeastern Europe. Our programs invite students and volunteers to explore, excavate and experience the genesis of European culture from the Iron Age to the Middle Ages. Our participants can register to more than one project to expand their horizons in field archaeology, funerary archaeology, bioarchaeology of children and osteology.

Excavation: Roman Provincial — Life by the Imperial Road

Location: Rapolt, Hunedoara County (Southern Transylvania), Romania

Period: Imperial Roman - Provincial

Excavation dates: June 1 - July 5, 2014

More information: http://archaeotek.org/roman_provincial_settlement_excavation

Contact e-mail: archaeology@archaeotek.org

Description: Our research area is situated between the richest gold deposits in Europe, the Dacian Kingdom's political and religious capital and its fortified satellites in the Carpathian Mountains, and Sarmizegetusa Ulpia Traiana, the Roman capital of the Dacian provinces and the first Roman city North of the Danube, southwestern Transylvania was a highly integrated military, political, and economic region. During the Roman colonial occupation, AD 102-271, our target area around Simeria and Rapolt shows a very dynamic and intensive synthesis of Roman provincial life, where a multitude of processes of colonization and creolization take place side by side. Our project seeks to explore and understand the integration of all these structural provincial elements along the main Roman axes of communication and transport. Our excavations will aim at evaluating the importance and impact of the proximity of the main axis of movement, communication and commerce on the Roman provincial rural life, and its evolution through time.

For more information on this program, see attached brochures or visit www.archaeotek.org.

Best regards,
Andre Gonciar
Field Director

**UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICAL, NEAR EASTERN AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES
GRADUATE PROGRAMMES**

From Leanne Bablitz

Located in Vancouver, British Columbia — the 3rd best city in the world in which to live (Global Liveability Ranking, 2013) — the Department of Classical, Near Eastern and Religious Studies at the University of British Columbia offers students the unique opportunity to conduct graduate level research in the classical texts, archaeology, and history of the entire Mediterranean world.

In our department, students can take a spectrum of courses from Roman and Greek archaeology, literature and history to Near Eastern languages (we offer Coptic and Akkadian as well as Hieroglyphs) to Christianity, Islam and Judaism. We are a student-centred department which seeks to enrich and nourish all of our MA and PhD students as a deeply held principle.

CNERS offers MA-level programs in

- Classics
- Classical and Near Eastern Archaeology
- Religious Studies
- Ancient Culture, Religion and Ethnicity (a unique MA-level interdisciplinary program that draws on the unique synergy of our department's faculty)

There are two programs at the PhD level:

- PhD in Classics (with possible specializations in Classics, Ancient History and Classical and Near Eastern Archaeology)
- PhD in Religious Studies

The department is looking for committed, self-motivated students and anticipates being able to offer up to four financial packages to well-qualified PhD applicants (with a completed MA) valued at approximately **\$25,000 per year** for four years (contingent upon academic performance). Typical support for incoming MA students is around **\$20,000 per year** for two years (contingent upon academic performance). In addition, there is money earmarked for student travel and research abroad. Funding is also available for qualified international students.

Recent PhD graduates are teaching in leading Canadian and international universities, and our MA students have gone on to study at outstanding universities such as McGill, Yale, UC-Berkeley, Stanford, and Oxford.

Our departmental website: <http://cnrs.ubc.ca>

Our graduate programs: <http://cnrs.ubc.ca/for-graduates/graduate-programs/>

We encourage students to contact our Director of Graduate Studies (ubccner-g-dgs@mail.ubc.ca), or any of our faculty (all of whom are interested in supporting graduate students) with questions about our program, courses, and living in Vancouver.

The deadline for applications is **December 15th** for PhD programs and **January 15th** for MA programs.

To apply: <https://www.grad.ubc.ca/prospective-students/application-admission/apply-online>

**BROCK UNIVERSITY ARCHAEOLOGICAL PRACTICUM
IN GOURNIA, CRETE
Summer 2014 – June 16 to July 26**

From Allison Glazebrook

The Brock University Archaeological Practicum (or field school) is designed to introduce students in a systematic and formal fashion to the basic skills and techniques of excavation, the recording of archaeological data, techniques of horizontal and vertical measurement, the drawing of plans and sections in the field, and the processing and preliminary analysis of archaeological materials. The participants will do the digging themselves, and will work in the field five and one half days per week. Excavation will occur from morning to mid-afternoon, and students will work with finds and trench notebooks in the late afternoons. The goal of the Practicum is to train participants in a hands-on fashion so that they will be qualified to work on other projects as effective and knowledgeable excavators with a minimum of supervision.

The 2014 Field School at Gournia, Crete, Greece

Gournia is one of the best known archaeological sites on the island of Crete. The site is located about 20 minutes driving time east of Agios Nikolaos in East Crete, on the northern coast near to the village of Pacheia Ammos. From 1901-1904 Harriet Boyd Hawes excavated the center of this Minoan town, revealing a system of cobbled streets, 47 houses, a central court, palace and cemetery. Of all sites in the Aegean, Gournia gives the visitor the clearest idea what a town in Late Bronze Greece looked like.

The coordinator of the practicum is Professor R. Angus K. Smith, an associate professor in the Dept. of Classics at Brock University. He is an Associate Director of the Gournia Excavations.

Applications will be due **January 31, 2014**. For an application, [please follow this link](#).

In order to receive academic credit, participants from universities other than Brock will need to receive a letter of permission from their home institution.

For further information about the practicum, please contact Prof. Smith: rsmith@brocku.ca

For further information about Gournia, [follow this link](#).

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Pour nous faire parvenir vos soumissions: ccb@cac-scec.ca

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