

**Summer school in the Turfanforschung
 August 26 – September 6, 2019
 “Languages and Cultures on the Silk Road”**

The Turfanforschung (Turfan Studies) at the Berlin Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities offers in 2019 a summer school providing an introduction to the field of Turfan Studies, which deals with the many languages and scripts used along the Silk Road as well as the histories and cultures of those who used them. The summer school will center around the two main languages of Turfan research. Sogdian, a middle Iranian language, was widely used as a *lingua franca* in Central Asia since the 1st c. A.C. Old Turkic was the language of Turkic nomads which had a strong influence on the Silk Road since the middle of the 6th c. After the migration of the Uyghurs it was also used as the main language in the Turfan area under Uyghur rule until 14th c.

The courses in this summer school will be given by the staff of the Turfanforschung and the Katalogisierung der Orientalischen Handschriften in Deutschland: A. Kilic Cengiz, A. Begmatov, S.-Ch. Raschmann, Ch. Reck, A. Yakup, P. Zieme, D. Durkin-Meisterernst. There will also be guest lectures by I. Colditz, M. Erdal, H. Fellner, B. Koller, J. P. Laut, M. Peyrot, L. Sander, N. Sims-Williams, M. Vér and J. Wilkens.

Date: August 26 - September 6, 2019
 Period: two weeks, four seminars (each 90 min.) in a day
 Place: in the Berlin Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities, Jägerstraße 22-23, 10117 Berlin

The participation is free.

In case of a high number of applications, we must emphasize that priority will be given to more qualified students first. When submitting your registration, please also include the following information: institution, educational qualifications, and field(s) of specialization.

Participation in the summer school is free of charge, however participants are responsible for their own accomodation in Berlin and travel costs. We have no financial support available.

Topics:

1. Scripts
 Sogdian script, Uyghur script, Turkic Runic, Nestorian script, Manichaeian script, Brāhmī script
2. Language: Old Turkic
 language course with reading, lecture for linguistics
3. Language: Sogdian
 language course with reading, lecture for linguistics
4. Language: Tocharian
 lecture
5. Turfan studies
 history of the Turfan expeditions, Central Asian book culture, history, religions, research history

Because a minimum number of participants are required for the summer school to take place, we ask for a binding registration by 24th May 2019 at rabuske@bbaw.de or in writing at: Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften AV Turfanforschung, Jägerstraße 22-23, D-10117, Berlin

Venue: Berlin Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities, 10117 Berlin, Einstein-Saal (5th floor) and room 07W04 in the Academy building Unter den Linden 8 (only for August 29)

1st week (August 26 – August 30, 2019)

	Monday August 26	Tuesday August 27	Wednesday August 28	Thursday August 29	Friday August 30
09:00 – 10:30	A. Kilic Cengiz <i>Old Turkic</i>	A. Kilic Cengiz <i>Old Turkic</i>	A. Kilic Cengiz <i>Old Turkic</i>	A. Kilic Cengiz <i>Old Turkic</i>	A. Kilic Cengiz <i>Old Turkic</i>
10.30 - 11:00	Break				
11:00 - 12:30	A. Begmatov <i>Sogdian</i>	A. Begmatov <i>Sogdian</i>	A. Begmatov <i>Sogdian</i>	A. Begmatov <i>Sogdian</i>	A. Begmatov <i>Sogdian</i>
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch break				
14:00 - 15:30	P. Zieme <i>Old Turkic religion and literature</i>	N. Sims-Williams <i>The “Rhythmic Law” as the basis of Sogdian phonology and morphology</i>	M. Vér <i>Glimpses of the daily life in the Turfan region. Old and new approaches to the Old Uyghur sources</i>	No lectures	Ch. Rauch <i>Oriental Manuscripts in Germany: Current activities towards an electronic union-catalogue of German collections</i> S.-Ch. Raschmann/ Ch. Reck <i>Access to the Turfan collection – The cataloguing project</i>
15:30 - 16:00	Break				
16:00 - 17:30	D. Durkin-Meisterernst <i>Nestorian/ Manichaean script</i>	M. Peyrot <i>Tocharian and Old Turkic (Maitrisimit)</i>	J. P. Laut <i>The long-term academy project “Dictionary of Old Uyghur”</i> J. Wilkens <i>A Concise Dictionary of Old Uyghur</i>	No lectures	SBB-PK: Restaurierungswerkstatt <i>Central Asian book culture; Problems and techniques of restoration (of Turfan fragments)</i>

2nd week (September 2 – September 6, 2019)

	Monday September 2	Tuesday September 3	Wednesday September 4	Thursday September 5	Friday September 6
09:00 - 10.30	A. Kilic Cengiz <i>Old Turkic</i>	A. Kilic Cengiz <i>Old Turkic</i>	A. Kilic Cengiz <i>Old Turkic</i>	A. Kilic Cengiz <i>Old Turkic</i>	A. Kilic Cengiz <i>Old Turkic</i>
10:30 – 11:00	Break				
11:00 - 12:30	A. Begmatov <i>Sogdian</i>	A. Begmatov <i>Sogdian</i>	A. Begmatov <i>Sogdian</i>	A. Begmatov <i>Sogdian</i>	A. Begmatov <i>Sogdian</i>
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch break				
14:00 - 15:30	D. Durkin-Meisterernst <i>Middle Iranian Linguistics</i>	M. Erdal <i>Old Turkic Linguistics</i>	P. Zieme <i>Syriac script</i>	H. Fellner/ B. Koller <i>Introduction to Tocharian</i>	A. Yakup <i>Uyghur script</i>
15:30 - 16:00	Break				
16:00 - 17:30	Ch. Reck <i>Sogdian script</i>	A. Yakup <i>Turkic Runes</i>	I. Colditz <i>Manichaeism</i>	L. Sander <i>Brāhmī script</i>	H. Fellner/B. Koller <i>Digital Humanities and the Silk Road</i>