



Newsletter n° 5

Editor: Simon Werrett

Contents

I. The Society

From the President

From the Editor

How to become a member - Payment of the Membership fee

Officers and scientific board

ESHS Conference 2006: *The Global and the Local: The History of Science and the Cultural Integration of Europe* (Cracow, 6-9 September 2006)

II. News

i. Fellowships, Studentships and job opportunities

Grants and Prizes

ii. Conferences and other events

The Society

From the President

Our long-awaited second conference is now almost upon us. The programme for Cracow is complete, and we look forward to meeting there from 6 to 9 September. This is an appropriate occasion on which to acknowledge the ESHS's immense debt to Michal Kokowski and the other local organizers in Poland. They have worked with energy, efficiency, and imagination to prepare what promises to be a memorable occasion.

The planning of the Cracow conference has exemplified our society's dependence on the commitment of local groups to the ideal of fostering a European community in the history of science. We remain deeply indebted to our Dutch colleagues, who worked so hard to mount the first ESHS conference in Maastricht in 2004, and that debt is now renewed with respect our colleagues in Poland. For our 2008 conference, we shall move on to yet another venue, and a call for proposals for a venue has already gone out to all members.

The pace of activity within the society grows steadily. The workshop on 'Franco-British interactions in science since the seventeenth century' that took place in Oxford in March 2006 was the first in what I hope will be a series a such ventures, international in nature although less ambitious and thematically more focussed than our conferences. In another initiative, with even more long-term implications, the society has recently concluded an agreement that will make the distinguished journal *Centaurus* the official journal of the ESHS, beginning with the issues for 2007. Again, I want to record the gratitude of the council of the ESHS, in this case for the support that the initiative has received not only from the publisher, Blackwell, but also from our Danish colleagues, especially Helge Kragh and the present editor of *Centaurus*, Hanne Andersen. We regard the agreement with *Centaurus* as a major step forward in the society's early history, and we look forward to a long and happy collaboration with Professor Andersen and the journal.

As I have said in earlier messages, the creation of a new society, especially one with a broad European brief such as ours, is far from easy. But the support that the society has received, from members and non-members alike, has been exemplary. The will to succeed is there, and as we move towards an ever more integrated Europe it can surely only grow. As I prepare to stand down as president, as I shall do in Cracow, I look back on a time that has been challenging and immensely rewarding. As circumstances evolve, so too do the challenges. Those that my successor in the presidency, Eberhard Knobloch, will face from September will be different, but I know that he will find them as stimulating as I have done. I wish him and our fledgling society every success.

Robert Fox

From the Editor

Dear friends of the ESHS,

I am pleased to present the fourth issue of the ESHS Newsletter, which will now appear three times a year. Please continue to send information on conferences, grants, jobs, fellowships, and any other news you may think requisite to the European Society Newsletter. If possible, please send announcements at least two months before they are due to take place or in advance of their deadlines. This will give readers plenty of opportunity to participate or apply. I look forward to your contributions, and will do my best to make this newsletter a forum fitting to the goals of the ESHS and improved communication amongst Europe's diverse communities in the History of Science,

Simon Werrett

Address for Correspondence:

Dr. Simon Werrett
Department of History
University of Washington
315, Smith Hall, Box 353560
Seattle, WA 98195-3560
USA

E-mail:

werrett@u.washington.edu

Contacts

To contact the **President:**

Prof. Robert Fox
Professor of the History of Science
University of Oxford
Modern History Faculty
Broad Street
Oxford OX1 3BD, U.K.
robert.fox@history.ox.ac.uk

To contact the **Treasurer:**

Prof. Dr. Erwin Neuenschwander,
Universität Zürich
MN Fakultät
Geschichte der Naturwissenschaften,
Winterthurerstrasse 190
CH-8057 Zürich
neuenschwander@math.unizh.ch

To contact the **Editor of the newsletter:**

Dr. Simon Werrett
Department of History
University of Washington
315, Smith Hall, Box 353560
Seattle, WA 98195-3560
USA
werrett@u.washington.edu

To contact the **Secretary:**

Mrs. Stéphanie Dupouy,
Département de Philosophie
Ecole normale supérieure
45, rue d'Ulm
F - 75005 Paris
Stephanie.Dupouy@ens.fr

To contact the **Webmaster** (address of the site: www.eshs.org):

Mrs Christelle Rabier
43, rue F. Arago
F-93100 Montreuil
Christelle.rabier@ens.fr

To contact the **Public Relations Officer:**

Lucio Fregonese
Museo per la Storia, Università di Pavia
Strada Nuova, 65, I-27100 Pavia - ITALY
Tel: (+39) 0382 984710
lucio.fregonese@unipv.it

How to become a member?

In order to become a member you will have to do two things:

1. Application

Complete the application form (at the end of the newsletter) and send it to the secretary by e-mail or postal mail at the following address:

Stephanie.Dupouy@ens.fr

Or :

Stéphanie Dupouy
ENS (Département de Philosophie)
45, rue d'Ulm
75005 Paris - France

Do not forget to clearly indicate the method of payment (of the membership fees) you have chosen

2. Payment

Pay your membership fees. The amount of the annual fees is:

- * 200 Euros (minimum) for Supporting Members
- * 100 Euros for Friends of the ESHS
- * 100 Euros for Institutional Members (i.e. for an institution like a museum, a society, or any corporate body)
- * 20 Euros for Individual Members. In order to have the bank transfer charges reduced, you are allowed to pay your membership fees for three years in advance in a single payment (which amounts for example to 60 Euros for individual members for the years 2005, 2006 and 2007).

N. B. : As a "wellcome gift" for the beginning of the society, all the memberships taken during the year 2004 will be extended until the end of December 2005.

Depending of your country of residence, you will have to choose one of the following ways of payment:

- a. **Eurozone residents.** You can transfer money at the following account in Germany (in Euros):
Bank: Sparkasse Hochrhein, 684 522 90
Bank Code (BIC) : SOLADES1WHT
Beneficiary : Prof. Dr. Erwin Neuenschwander (ESHS)
Bank Account Number (IBAN) : DE41 6845 2290 1000 1445 17

This solution of payment may be the less expensive one for beholders of an account inside the Euro zone. All charges for the transfer must be paid by the member i. e. by the ordering customer and not by the beneficiary. The ESHS cannot help with this. These charges are different from country to country and from bank to bank. They can sometimes be very high. Each member will have to ask his/her bank carefully how much the charges amount to in his/her case BEFORE to do the transfer.

b. For **holders of sterling accounts with UK banks**, the simplest method of payment will be by cheque in Sterling made payable to 'ESHS' sent to Robert Fox with a copy of the application form completed and enclosed at the following address:

Professor Robert Fox
Modern History Faculty
Broad Street
Oxford OX1 3BD

The annual amounts in sterling are:

£14.50 for individual members,

£72.50 for friends of the Society and institutional members

£145 for supporting members

c. **Switzerland residents.** You can transfer money at the following account (in Euros) :

Beneficiary : Erwin Neuenschwander (ESHS)

Account number : CH06 0483 5069 2208 9200 0

Bank : CRESCHZZ80A

Name of the Bank : Credit Suisse

Address of the Bank : Postfach CH-8070 Zürich

All charges for the transfer must be paid by the member i. e. by the ordering customer and not by the beneficiary. The ESHS cannot help with this. These charges are different from country to country and from bank to bank. They can sometimes be very high. Each member will have to ask his/her bank carefully how much the charges amount to in his/her case BEFORE to do the transfer (in your enquiry to your bank, please don't forget that Switzerland is outside of the Euro zone although this account is in Euro).

d. **Participants in the ESHS Conference.** If you attend the ESHS Conference, you will be able to pay your fees there (cash) directly to our treasurer Erwin Neuenschwander. This is of course the cheapest and simplest way of payment, because it has no transfer charge.

Any question regarding the payment of the fees should be addressed to the Treasurer Erwin Neuenschwander at the following address :

Prof. Dr. Erwin Neuenschwander
Universität Zürich,
MN Fakultät, Geschichte der Naturwissenschaften,
Winterthurerstrasse 190, CH-8057 Zürich,
Phone: (+41) 1 635 58 62; Fax (+41) 1 635 57 06.
neuenschwander@math.unizh.ch

ESHS Officers:

- President: Prof. Robert Fox (University of Oxford)
- President Elect: Prof. Eberhard Knobloch (Techn. Universität, Berlin)
- Past President (Chairman of the Founding Committee): Prof. Claude Debru (ENS, Paris)
- Treasurer: Prof. Erwin Neuenschwander (University of Zürich)
- Secretary: Ms. Stéphanie Dupouy (École Normale Supérieure, Paris)
- Newsletter Editor: Simon Werrett (University of Washington)
- Webmaster: Ms. Christelle Rabier (Université Paris 1)
- Public Relations Officer: Lucio Fregonese (Museo per la Storia, Università di Pavia)
- Representative of the body hosting the seat: Prof. Danielle Jacquart (EPHE, Paris)

Scientific Board:

- Prof. Maria Alvarez-Lires (University of Vigo)
- Prof. Fabio Bevilacqua (Università di Pavia)
- Prof. Kostas Gavroglu (Athens University)
- Prof. Fernand Hallyn (University of Gent)
- Prof. Helge Kragh (University of Aarhus)
- Prof. Luis Saraiva (University of Lisbon)
- Prof. Juraj Sebesta (Comenius University, Bratislava)
- Prof. Ida Stamhuis (University of Amsterdam)
- Prof. Sona Strbanova (Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, Prag)
- Prof. Joseph Wachelder (University of Maastricht)

And the Officers

ESHS Conference 2006:

EUROPEAN SOCIETY FOR THE HISTORY OF SCIENCE

"The Global and the Local: The History of Science and the Cultural Integration of Europe"

Cracow, 6-9 September 2006

An international conference organized jointly by the European Society for the History of Science, the Commission on the History of Science of the Polish Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Commission for European Matters of the Polish Academy of Arts and Sciences, the Jagiellonian University, and the Institute for the History of Science of the Polish Academy of Sciences, in co-operation with Czech and Slovak institutions.

Cracow, 6-9 September 2006

The second conference of the European Society for the History of Science will take place in Cracow, a city located at the heart of Europe that has long been a traditional place for exchanges between various parts of the continent. Beginning on the evening of Wednesday 6 September 2006 (with the opening plenary lecture and a reception and get-together party) and ending, after three full days, on Saturday 9 September, the conference is planned as an important event within a series of initiatives aimed at creating a European community in the history of science. The first conference of the ESHS, held in Maastricht from 4 to 6 November 2004, set the tone, and we now look forward to building on the achievements of that conference in a gathering that will bring together scholars from all parts of Europe, from the West and East, North and South, and Centre of the continent.

On 7 and 8 September, the sessions of the conference will be organized around specific themes (for which suggestions are invited from potential participants). It is hoped that these sessions will take advantage of the presence of scholars from across Europe to break new ground in the fashioning of comparative and integrative perspectives.

It is proposed that one of these sessions, or a group of sessions, should address the general theme of communication and exchanges in science between European countries, especially between the nations of Eastern, Western, and Central Europe. Other sessions would be devoted to some of the special areas of research in the history of science. Such areas might

include the relations between science and religion, science and the arts, women in science, science and technology, science and society, the role of instruments and instrumentation, etc. But suggestions for other themes would be very welcome.

The final day of the conference, 9 September, will be devoted to a special symposium on the past, present, and future prospects of the history of science in European higher education.

Proposals for sessions and detailed sub-themes of the symposium may be formulated by representatives of national societies, by other relevant academic bodies and also by eminent individuals, and should be addressed to the Conference Office in Cracow, by 15 October 2005. They should be accompanied by a summary of the proposal (maximum of 100 words) and, in the case of the individual proposer, a brief curriculum vitae.

The address for the proposals is: 2ceshs@cyfronet.pl . Please give 'R proposals' (for sessions on 'research matters') or 'HE proposals' (for symposium on 'higher educational matters') as the subject.

All proposals should be prepared as Microsoft Word 97's documents. Every text should be single-spaced, in 12 pt Times New Roman, except the 'title of proposal' (Bold in 14pt) and the 'Institution(s) and e-mail address(es)' (in 10pt); the 'Author(s) Name(s)', the 'Institution(s)', 'e-mail address(es)' and the 'title of proposal' should be centred, and the main text, justified; the 'title of proposal' and the first paragraph of the main text should be preceded by one empty line (in 12 pt).

A peer review process of abstracts of contributed papers starts from January 1, 2006 and finishes on March 15, 2006.

Deadline for acceptance of abstracts: March 15, 2006.

Deadlines for registration: June 1, 2006 (conference fee 99 euros, excluding conference dinner 21 euros; after the date 140 and 25 euros, respectively)

Deadline for hotel reservation: June 1, 2006.

Further details on the conference will be given (and systematically updated) on the website of the Conference <http://www.2ceshs.cyfronet.pl> .

On behalf of the Organizing Committees:

Prof. Robert Fox (Chairman of the Program Committee), Prof. Zdzislaw Mach (Chairman of the Local Committee), Prof. Claude Debru (Vice-chairman of the Program and Local Committees), and Dr Michal Kokowski (Vice-chairman of the Program and Local Committees).

II. News

Note to contributors: In order to ensure the ESHS newsletter is as up-to-date as possible, please make sure that any announcements for conferences, events, grants, award, jobs etc. are submitted *at least two months in advance* of their deadline. Submissions with deadlines prior to this cannot be included. In the case of conference calls for papers, if the paper submission deadline has passed, the conference announcement will be included if two months remain before the conference is due to take place.

i. Fellowships, Studentships and Job Opportunities

Professorship in History and Philosophy of Science, University of Vienna

The University of Vienna invites applications for a Professorship in 'History and Philosophy of Science.' The position is expected to start as soon as possible. The appointment is a full-time, permanent position under private law.

Applicants should possess

- Postgraduate qualification beyond the doctoral level ('Habilitation' or equivalent)
- Outstanding scientific qualifications in research and teaching pertaining to the discipline
- Pedagogical and didactic ability
- Evidence of academic leadership skills
- Relevant international experience within his/her area of expertise.

A relevant teaching qualification (*venia docendi*) is preferred.

The professorship will be assigned to the Faculty of Historical and Cultural Sciences (area of emphasis History of Science, Cultures of Knowledge, Knowledge Societies) and the Faculty of Philosophy and Education (area of emphasis Philosophy of Science: Foundations of Theory and Knowledge Dynamics), acting jointly.

Particularly desirable additional qualifications: The successful candidate must have a record of outstanding scholarly work in both History of Science and in Philosophy of Science. The area of emphasis of the professorship will be the study of the connections between the development of the sciences and knowledge cultures since the beginning of modern history and of the corresponding philosophies of science in historical context. Successful candidates must have the ability and willingness to teach the full load in Diploma, Bachelor, Master and Doctoral programs. Written applications quoting reference number 2006/13 Fak including a curriculum vitae, list of

publications, description of previous relevant activities, statement of previously conducted courses, and a teaching and research concept corresponding to the field of activity should be submitted by 20 October 2006 to:

Office for Human Resources and Advancement of Women at the University of Vienna
Dr.-Karl-Lueger-Ring 1
1010 Vienna
Austria

Please do not enclose any bulky material (publications, etc.). The University of Vienna is an equal opportunity employer and intends to increase the number of female employees, especially in senior positions and within its scientific staff. Therefore, qualified women are particularly encouraged to apply for the post. In the case of equal qualifications, female candidates will be preferred.

Associate Professor of History of Technology, Steno Institute, Denmark

The Steno Institute (<http://www.si.au.dk>) invites applications for a permanent position as associate professor to commence 1 January 2007 or as soon as possible thereafter.

We seek a historian of technology with significant publications and current research interest in one or more of the following fields: the history of modern technology, production of technological knowledge, relations between technology and science and/or between technology and medicine.

Applicants' ability to contribute to teaching and/or research in other sections of the Steno Institute may be taken into account.

The general requirements for the position are as follows: a PhD degree or its equivalent in an appropriate subject area, preferably history of technology; a strong record of research; teaching experience at university level; administrative experience. Three or more years of research experience beyond PhD is desirable.

The successful applicant will be expected to take responsibility for the undergraduate course in history of technology offer elective courses in areas related to his/her research contribute to other courses covered by the Institute (e.g. introduction to the history of science; introduction courses in philosophy of science for science students)pursue an active research programme The successful candidate will be expected to participate in all aspects of the Institute's activities, and he/she is required to be present on a daily basis. If the candidate does not speak Danish, he/she will be expected to learn enough to participate fully in the administrative work of

the Institute within two years.

Applications must be in English and include a curriculum vitae, a complete list of publications, a statement of future research plans and information about research activities, teaching qualifications and management experience, all in 4 copies (see <http://www.nat.au.dk/stilling/cv> for the recommended level of detail). If the applicant wants other material to be considered in the evaluation (publications (max 5) and other documentation of research and teaching qualifications, as well as management experience) such material must be clearly specified and must either be enclosed in hardcopy (3 copies) or must be available electronically.

The Faculty refers to the Ministerial Order No. 170 of 17.03.2005 (<http://www.au.dk/da/21-05.htm>) on the appointment of teaching and research staff at the universities under the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation.

Salary depends on seniority as agreed between the Danish Ministry of Finance and the Confederation of Professional Unions.

Applications should be addressed to The Faculty of Science, University of Aarhus, Ny Munkegade, Building 1521, DK-8000 Aarhus C, Denmark, and marked 212/5-148. The deadline for receipt of all applications is August 21, 2006, at 12,00 noon.

For more information contact the head of the Institute Keld Nielsen, phone +45 8942 3540, e-mail: keld.nielsen@si.au.dk

The Steno Institute is a multidisciplinary department covering the history of science, technology and medicine; philosophy of science; science education; and science communication. The Danish Museum for the History of Science and Medicine also forms part of the Institute.

Assistant Professor, Tenure Track, Natural Sciences
California State University Fullerton, USA

The Liberal Studies Department at California State University Fullerton invites applications for a tenure track position to begin Fall semester 2007. Liberal Studies is a unique, long-established and growing interdisciplinary program that provides faculty and students with the opportunity to study, teach, and integrate academic interests in the humanities and arts, the natural sciences and the social sciences. More than 1300 students major in Liberal Studies.

Position

The department is seeking applicants with specializations in one of the

natural sciences or in the history or philosophy of the natural sciences, to teach in the interdisciplinary Liberal Studies core program. Teaching responsibilities include:

- (1) covering the science component of a team-taught two semester survey of cultural history from antiquity to the 19th century
- (2) conducting a one semester interdisciplinary course on the character and aims of 20th century science, current theories and knowledge, and the role of science and technology in contemporary society
- (3) conducting an upper division course that directs interdisciplinary inquiry into knowledge production in the natural sciences, the social sciences, and the humanities.

Department faculty also have opportunities to develop courses in their areas of specialization. Released time may be available for activities such as instructional research, course development, and departmental responsibilities. Faculty advise undergraduate students and serve on academic committees. Positive tenure and promotion decisions require excellent teaching as well as research, peer-reviewed publication, and participation in the broader disciplinary community.

Qualifications

- Ph.D. degree or equivalent terminal degree in a discipline relevant to the Liberal Studies core program is required. ABDs will be considered but must show evidence of degree completion prior to appointment.
- Advanced course work in one of the natural sciences is desirable.
- Must have demonstrated interest in teaching in an interdisciplinary setting as well as competence to explain the main 20th century scientific experiments and theories, especially in the physical sciences, to students who do not have strong preparation in the sciences.
- Evidence of teaching excellence or promise and potential for successful research and publication are essential.
- Ability to work effectively with a wide and culturally diverse range of students and faculty is essential.

Rank and Salary

The position is at the rank of Assistant Professor, tenure-track. Salary is competitive and commensurate with rank, experience and qualifications. Periodic salary adjustments are enacted by the state legislature. Additional teaching in summer and intersession is often available. Excellent comprehensive benefits are available and include health/vision/dental plans, spouse, domestic partner and/or dependent fee-waiver as well as access to campus child-care and new affordable housing program. For a detailed description of benefits, go to http://hr.fullerton.edu/benefits/compare_benefits.htm.

Job Control Number

23603G-07-010

Appointment Date
August 2007

Application Deadline

Applications received by October 10, 2006 are assured of full consideration. Send letter of application, vita, evidence of teaching excellence or promise, and three recent letters of recommendation to:

Chair, Search Committee
Liberal Studies Department
California State University, Fullerton
P.O. Box 6868
Fullerton, CA 92834-6868

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE DEPARTMENT, See the Liberal Studies Website at: <http://hss.fullerton.edu/liberal/>

Members of the Liberal Studies Department will also be available at the November 2-5, 2006 History of Science Society Meeting in Vancouver, Canada.

Cal State Fullerton is an Equal Opportunity/
Title IX/503/504/VEVRA/ADA Employer

Doctoral Fellowships: Topology of Technology, Darmstadt, Germany
Announcing 18 doctoral fellowships

The newly founded interdisciplinary post-graduate college / graduate school "Topology of Technology" at the University of Technology, Darmstadt, Germany, announces 18 doctoral fellowships, starting Oct. 1, 2006, and running for 2 years with an option of a third year.

The program is organized by teachers from the subjects of history, sociology, philosophy, literature and language, mechanical engineering, informatics, and civil/construction engineering. It focuses on the relationship between technology and space - at present, in history, and in a possible future. It has five thematic foci:

- Information Technology and the Topology of the Network Society
- Technological Spaces of the Body and the Perception of Space
- The Circulation of Materials - Mobility - Tourism
- Topologies of Technology and Forms of Representation
- Fields of Power and the Role of Technology

The program is primarily financed by the German Research Council (DFG); see www.dfg.de. According to its rules, applicants should generally not

exceed 28 years of age, but exceptions may be granted. Monthly stipends range between 1,000 and 1,365 euros.

All applicants need to have a Master degree or the equivalent thereof. Since course work and seminars are carried out in both German and English, it is expected that applicants are willing to learn to read and understand spoken German. Fellows need to take up their residence in Darmstadt or the vicinity.

Applications are only accepted in electronic form. They should include (1) a CV, (2) copies of academic diplomas, (3) a short description (max. 5 pages) of the planned doctoral dissertation, and (4) the names and addresses of two university professors who are willing to act as reference persons. Please send your application no later than July 28, 2006

to topologie@ifs.tu-darmstadt.de. Please make sure that it includes a personally formulated explanation why you are particularly interested in the topic of the post-graduate college / graduate school. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact one of the directors: Petra Gehring (gehring@phil.tu-darmstadt.de) or Mikael Hård (hard@ifs.tu-darmstadt.de).

More information about the research and teaching program of the post-graduate college / graduate school may be found under www.ifs.tu-darmstadt.de/gradkoll-tdt

Research Fellow: "Analysis and Synthesis in 19th-Century Chemistry: Toward a New Philosophical History of Scientific Practice", London

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON
Department of Science and Technology Studies

Applications are invited for the post of Research Fellow in the Department of Science and Technology Studies, University College London, to contribute to the research project "Analysis and Synthesis in 19th-Century Chemistry: Toward a New Philosophical History of Scientific Practice". This project is funded by the Leverhulme Trust. The research fellow will be expected to work in close collaboration with Dr Hasok Chang, the principal investigator for the project, and also with a PhD student funded on the project.

The appointment is for two years, and the expected start date is 1 October 2006. Salary will be £24,886 per year (plus a London allowance of £2,400), with a possible small upward adjustment to be confirmed later.

The successful applicant must have submitted her or his PhD dissertation by the start of appointment. The appropriate subject of the PhD is either history of science or philosophy of science, and candidates must possess PhD-level research experience in the history of chemistry. The research

fellow's work will be expected to follow closely the programme of research laid out in the grant application.

For further information and the UCL application form, please see www.ucl.ac.uk/sts/chang/. Any questions should be directed to Hasok Chang by e-mail h.chang@ucl.ac.uk or telephone +44-(0)20-7679-1324.

In addition to the information requested on the application form, applicants must submit a full list of publications. Short-listed candidates will be invited to submit samples of work and have referees contacted, and be interviewed at UCL if possible. All application materials should be submitted by post to Dr Hasok Chang, Department of Science and Technology Studies, University College London, Gower Street, London WC1E 6BT, United Kingdom. Applications submitted by e-mail will not be accepted.

The deadline for the receipt of applications is 25 July 2006.

**Salaried Ph.D. position in the history of early modern chemistry
Radboud University Nijmegen (Netherlands)**

Closing Date: 6 September 2006

The Center for Medieval and Early Modern Natural Philosophy at the Faculty of Philosophy of the Radboud University Nijmegen has obtained the funds to carry out a large research project on the theme of the visualization of invisible magnitudes in early modern and modern science. Part of this overall project is a four-year salaried Ph.D. position (max. 1,933 Euro/month), to begin ideally on 1 November 2006. The Ph.D. candidate will be asked to write a dissertation on the evolution of visual models of material structures in chemistry, between 1600 and ca. 1865 and to carry out some teaching at the faculty (in Dutch or English). Candidates should possess an M.A. (or equivalent) in the history of science or of philosophy, or in a branch of the natural sciences, and be able to read Latin, French, and German, besides English. Knowledge of Dutch is no prerequisite. Applications, containing a c.v. (with the names and addresses of two references) and a cover letter explaining the applicant's competence in the field must be received before 6 September 2006, at the following address:

Radboud University Nijmegen
Dienst P&O, afdeling PMO
P.O. Box 7005
NL - 6503 GM Nijmegen
The Netherlands

or: personeel@dpo.ru.nl. Please indicate on the envelope and the cover letter the vacancy number: 26.02.06. For questions concerning this position, please contact Christoph Luthy (luethy@phil.ru.nl).

Grants and Prizes

Pollock Award in the History of Astronomy, Dudley Observatory, New York

Dudley Observatory invites applications for the Pollock Award, a grant of up to \$5,000 for a project on the history of astronomy. The deadline for receipt of proposals is 28 October, 2006. For eligibility and proposal requirements, see http://www.dudleyobservatory.org/pollock_award.htm.

The purpose of the Award is to provide encouragement and support for an innovative project in the history of astronomy or astrophysics, to be undertaken by a faculty member, research associate, or postdoctoral associated with a college, university, nonprofit research institution or observatory located in North America. Applications from persons meeting the other requirements, who are not currently affiliated with any institution will also be considered.

Fulbright Scholar Awards 2007-08

The Fulbright Scholar Program is pleased to announce the following awards in American Studies and related fields that are available in countries in Southeastern Europe and the Caucasus.

Armenia: Award # 7181

Azerbaijan: Award # 7182

Bulgaria: Award # 7240

Georgia: Award # 7187

Greece: Award # 7285

Moldova: Award # 7196

Romania: Award # 7369

Turkey: Award # 7398

The deadline for submission of applications is 1 August 2006.

For additional information about the awards and the application process, please consult the Fulbright Program Web site at <http://www.cies.org/>. You may also contact Cynthia Crow, Senior Program Officer, Europe/Eurasia at 202.686.7872 or ccrow@cies.iie.org.

National Endowment for the Humanities, USA

The NEH Summer Stipends program supports two months of full-time research on a project in the humanities. The award is \$5,000, and the deadline is 2 October 2006.

Over the past five years the Summer Stipends program has received an annual average of 866 applications and made an average of 116 awards, or 13%. Although regular faculty members of colleges and universities must be nominated by their institutions, and each institution may nominate a maximum of two applications,

independent scholars and adjunct or part-time faculty may apply for these grants without nomination.

For applications and further details about the Summer Stipend program, please visit the NEH Web site:

<http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/stipends.html>

The list of awards for the summer of 2005 is available on the Web site. Click on 'Frequently Asked Questions' for additional information about the program and the application process. Questions about the program can be made via telephone at 202.606.8200, or via e-mail at stipends@neh.gov

The British Society for the History of Science Singer Prize 2006

The Singer Prize, of up to £300, is awarded by the BSHS every two years to the writer of an unpublished essay based in original research into any aspect of the history of science, technology or medicine. The Prize is intended for younger scholars or recent entrants into the profession. The Prize may be awarded to the writer of one outstanding essay, or may be awarded to two or more entrants. The Prize will usually be presented at the BSHS annual conference and the Society will contribute towards the winner's travel expenses for attending the meeting. Publication in the British Journal for the History of Science will be at the discretion of the Editor. Essays on offer or in press will not be eligible.

General Rules:

Candidates must be registered for a postgraduate degree or have been awarded such in the two years prior to the closing date. Entry is not limited to British nationals. Essays must not exceed 8,000 words (including footnotes following the style guidelines in the British Journal for the History of Science), must be fully documented, typewritten with double-line spacing, and submitted in English. Use of published and unpublished primary material is strongly encouraged, and full and correct use of scholarly apparatus (e.g. footnotes) is expected.

Entries (three copies, stating the number of words) should be sent to arrive not later than 15 December 2006. Essays must not bear any reference to the author, either by name or department; candidates should send a covering letter with documentation of their status and details of any publications.

Entries should be sent to:

BSHS Secretary
Centre for Health, Medicine and Society
Tonge Building
Oxford Brookes University
Gipsy Lane, Oxford, OX3 0BP

Enquiries only by e-mail to secretary@bshs.org.uk. Do not send essays as e-mail attachments.

The 2004 Singer Prize was awarded to Claire Brock (now at the University of Leicester) for her essay "The Public Worth of Mary Somerville." Special Commendations were awarded to Néstor Herran (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona), for "Spreading Nucleonics: the Isotope School at the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, 1951-1967" and Prakash Kumar (Yale University) for "Improving Indigo: the Dynamics of Science at the Colonial and Imperial Laboratories, 1898-1913."

Previous winners are listed on the BSHS Web site: <http://www.bshs.org.uk>