

Nineteenth-Century Matters: Chawton House Library 2016-17

Outline

Nineteenth-Century Matters is a new initiative jointly run by the British Association for Romantic Studies and the British Association for Victorian Studies. It is aimed at postdoctoral researchers who have completed their PhD, but are not currently employed in a full-time academic post. Nineteenth-Century Matters will offer these unaffiliated early career researchers a platform from which to organise professionalization workshops and research seminars on a theme related to nineteenth-century studies, relevant to the host institution's specialisms. The focus should be on the nineteenth century, rather than on Romanticism or Victorianism.

For the coming academic year Nineteenth-Century Matters will provide the successful applicant with affiliation in the form of a Visiting Fellowship at Chawton House Library and the University of Southampton. This fellowship includes a University of Southampton e-mail address, and access to its library and electronic resources for the full academic year. It will also provide accommodation at Chawton House Library throughout January, where the fellow will be free to develop their research and make the most of the wealth of resources held in the library. In return, the ECR will organise a research and professionalization event on a theme relevant to Chawton's collections, participate in a 'state of the field' session to be held at Chawton during the tenure of their fellowship, and acknowledge BARS, BAVS, and Chawton House Library in any publications that arise from the fellowship.

Application Process

Interested parties should submit their CV, along with a two-page proposal of their research topic, details of the event they would organise at Chawton House Library, and an outline of why they would benefit from the fellowship. Applications should be sent to mw498@st-andrews.ac.uk, or j.e.taylor1@lancaster.ac.uk by 12th August.