

## Two PhD-scholarships in Early Irish linguistics

Two PhD-scholarships are offered in the ERC-funded project *Chronologica Hibernicum Hibernicum – A Probabilistic Chronological Framework for Dating Early Irish Language Developments and Literature (ChronHib)*. *ChronHib* aims at refining the methodology for dating Early Medieval Irish language developments (ca. 6<sup>th</sup>–mid 10<sup>th</sup> century A.D.) and, by combining philological and linguistic analysis and statistical methods, to build a chronological framework of the linguistic changes (phonology, morphology, syntax) in order to use it to date literary texts. *ChronHib* is hosted by the Department of Early Irish (School of Celtic Studies) at Maynooth University. The research on the project *Chronologica Hibernicum* has received funding from the European Research Council (ERC) under the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme (grant agreement No. 647351).

More information about the project can be found at <https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/chronologicahibernicum>.

The scholarships are for up to four years, subject to progress. Successful candidates are required to start their PhD in September 2016 and will be pursuing a structured PhD programme as described at <https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/study-maynooth/postgraduate-studies/courses/phd-medieval-irish>. The scholarships consist of a stipend of € 18,000,- per year plus the annual study fees (for Irish and EU-citizens). The scholars are expected to work together with the research staff of *ChronHib*, under supervision of the Principal Investigator Prof. David Stifter. Applicants are expected to have a degree in Early Irish Studies, Celtic Studies or a closely related field in historical linguistics, and are expected to have a good knowledge of the Old Irish language, ideally combined with competence in historical or general linguistics. Applicants for whom English is a second language will be required to meet English language requirements specified at <https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/international/study-maynooth/postgraduate>. Successful scholars are expected to work on the linguistic assessment of synchronic variation and change in Old Irish, in particular in the contemporary sources such as the Old Irish glosses.

Applications consisting of a cover letter, a CV and two writing samples of around two pages each should be sent in electronic form to [chronhib@nuim.ie](mailto:chronhib@nuim.ie) by 22 May 2016. Please provide the names and contact details of two referees.



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