World-Historical Dataverse Postdoctoral Associate: The World History Center (www.worldhistory.pitt.edu) at the University of Pittsburgh seeks applicants for a two-year appointment as Postdoctoral Associate in order to develop and implement a World-Historical Dataverse (www.dataverse.pitt.edu). This project aims to create a large scale data repository and system of analysis for world-historical data. Subject to budgetary approval, the appointment will begin in January 2012. We seek candidates with a strong background in information and/or computer sciences. The successful candidate will lead the implementation of a web-based content management system for the World-Historical Dataverse, including development of data models and databases, analytical engines, and visualization tools. Working closely with researchers at the University of Pittsburgh (in Arts & Sciences and in Information Sciences) and at several collaborating institutions, the successful candidate will also collaborate on scholarly publications of the project progress and research findings.

Candidates must have completed their Ph.D. before January 2012. Desirable qualifications include a background in Geographic Information Systems (GIS), analytical systems with incomplete loosely integrated data sets and experience with historical data. Candidates must be comfortable working within interdisciplinary environments. Applicants may send inquiries or applications to Professor Patrick Manning, Chair, World-Historical Dataverse Postdoc Search Committee, Department of History, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260 or electronically to pmanning@pitt.edu. Applications must include a letter of application, full CV, a dissertation chapter, and three letters of recommendation. Deadline for applications is October 1, 2011, but applications will be considered as soon as they are received. Salary and benefits are competitive. The University of Pittsburgh is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity employer. Women and members of minority groups under-represented in academia are especially encouraged to apply.

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