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Workshop on Ancient Languages and Texts and Digital Scholarship

Date: 16 August 2018, 11:00-14:00

Venue: NWU Sports Village, room G17

Background:

The methodological commons of digital humanities provide a variety of approaches and applications within the domain of ancient texts and cultures as well as novel approaches to digitisation and translations of these texts. Some of the advantages of digitizing ancient manuscripts is to preserve it for the future as well as making it more accessible to researchers around the world. Once a text or manuscript is digitized and annotated, automatic algorithms or qualitative investigations can be used to study the usage and distribution of words, phrases, grammatical structures etc.

The aim of the workshop:

To provide participants with an overview of Digital Scholarship within the domain of ancient textual and translation studies.

To provide an introduction to digitisation of manuscripts, annotation of these newly digitised resources as well as how these annotated digital texts could be used.

This workshop will be supported by the Digital Humanities Organisation of Southern Africa (DHASA) and the South African Centre for Digital Language Resources (SADiLaR) which is a national centre supported by the Department of Science and Technology (DST) as part of the new South African Research Infrastructure Roadmap (SARIR). SADiLaR has an enabling function to support and facilitate the building of research capacity by promoting and supporting the use of digital data and innovative methodological approaches within the Humanities and Social Sciences.

Please indicate your attendance of the workshop on the registration form and bring your laptop to the workshop.