

● Young Scholars Initiative

2020 Pre-HES Conference Workshop

Digital Humanities and Quantitative Methods in the History of Economics

At the leading edge of studies in social sciences and the humanities is the growing field of digital humanities (DH). From applications in history, archaeology, and sociology, to name a few, the expansion of DH over the past decades is impressive. Central to this field are new computer-based methods for searching, retrieving, analysing, and visualizing data, all of which vastly enlarge the scope of what researchers can accomplish. Witnessing the growth of interesting and relevant projects across various disciplines has made us wonder the extent to which DH can provide the history of economics with new ways to study our traditional subject matter, to open up new sources and research questions, and to provide opportunities for thinking about large collaborative and interdisciplinary research projects afresh.

To further this discussion the YSI [History of Economic Thought working group](#) will organize a workshop in Utrecht, Netherlands, **on June 18th**, the starting day of the [2020 HES annual conference](#).

The workshop's goal is to give participants an introductory overview of the type of quantitative and computational methods that have recently come to be used in the social sciences and the humanities. The sessions will be led by specialists that include [Claire Lemerrier \(Sciences Po\)](#) and [François Claveau \(U. Sherbrooke\)](#), and we hope to brainstorm opportunities that these methods hold for research in the history of economics.

We hope this workshop will interest many in our community and thus it is open to all interested participants, not just young scholars. We invite those wishing to attend to register their interest here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScnIb5dijNpoW5jzH7l-nHdLJsF9thkJ0o_9v09HZj-US_HuA/viewform?usp=sf_link

With a limited room capacity, **spaces will be filled on a first come first served basis**. Please indicate your interest as soon as possible. Half of the spots are reserved for young and early

career scholars. Limited funding for young scholars' accommodation (shared and budget) throughout the workshop and HES conference (June 17-21), as well as travel will be available from INET's YSI. **Young scholars interested in applying for funding must indicate so in the [form](#).**

The deadline for applications is February 12th and you can expect to hear back from us by the end of February.

For any further questions please contact the organizers:

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