



**Graduiertenschule
für Ost- und
Südosteuropastudien**



Universität Regensburg

Call for Applications of the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität Munich and the Universität Regensburg (10.07.2014)

The Graduate School for East and Southeast European Studies is a cooperative venture organized by the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität (LMU) Munich and the Universität Regensburg. The School is funded by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) as part of the German Excellence Initiative and started in November 2012. Research at the Graduate School is conducted in three broad interdisciplinary fields:

- Origins and Forms of Social and Political Change
- Cultural Systems
- Infrastructure, Migration and Transfer of Knowledge

Research at the Graduate School focuses particularly on interrelations and interdependencies between East and Southeast Europe and other regions of the world.

In the context of its primary focus on East and Southeast Europe, the Graduate School draws on the following disciplines: History, Literary and Language Studies, Art History, Theatre Studies, Political Science, and Law. In the context of cross-regional comparisons and transfer studies the School's expertise in Area Studies is complemented by insights from Chinese, Japanese and North American Studies.

For further information see: www.gs-oses.de

Beginning November 15th, 2014 available for two years with the option of extension for another eighteen months the Graduate School offers the following doctoral positions

**5 Positions as a research fellow – employment according to the German TV-L in part time (65 %) – and
5 PhD Scholarships.**

Research Fellow positions

These positions are assigned to conduct an independent PhD project. The remuneration is based on Grade E 13 (65%) of the German Public Service Salary Scale. It includes a teaching obligation of one semester hour per week.

PhD Scholarships

PhD Scholarships are awarded for two years with the option of extension for another eighteen months. A basic monthly stipend of 1.365 Euro is provided, plus travel funds, grants for material costs as well as child-care expenses in accordance with DFG guidelines where applicable.

Both forms of doctoral positions can be realized either at the LMU Munich or at the Universität Regensburg, depending on the advisor's assignment.

The holders of both the doctoral positions and the scholarships will be expected to successfully conduct an independent research project which contributes to the Graduate School's research fields. Participation in the Graduate School's seminars and qualification program is mandatory. In an international working environment the Graduate School offers ideal conditions for the realization of excellent PhD-projects in the Humanities as well as in Social and Legal Studies which focus on East and Southeast Europe and the interconnections of this region with other regions of the world. The Graduate School is part of the centers for East and Southeast European studies at both sites which beside the universities include non-university research institutions. As an international research institution the Graduate School also explicitly invites applications from foreign candidates. The Graduate School's seminars are bilingual (German and English). Appropriate language skills are expected.

Requirements

- very good graduate degree (Master's, Magister, German Diploma, State Examination or equivalent degree)
- independent research project within the fields of interest to the Graduate School
- interest in interdisciplinary research questions and sensitivity for transnational and spatial perspectives
- knowledge of German and English
- knowledge of a third language is preferred

Application

- research proposal of 4 to 6 pages
- work plan and time schedule
- Curriculum Vitae
- degree certificates (after higher education entrance qualification)
- abstract of the Master's thesis
- list of publications if applicable
- references by two university professors

Please submit the complete application online:

<https://portal.graduatecenter-lmu.de/ost-suedosteuropa/>

Deadline for applications is August 24th, 2014.

Eligible candidates will be invited for an interview with the two speakers of the Graduate School, the Admission Committee and their future advisors in **Munich** on **October 2nd, 2014**. Following the interview, the Admission Committee will decide on the candidate's admission to the Graduate School and the offer of a research fellow position (employment) or a PhD scholarship.

The Graduate School is committed to the compatibility of family and career. It therefore encourages applications from women. As an international research institution, the School welcomes applications from abroad. Applicants with disabilities possessing essentially equivalent qualifications will receive preferential consideration. If applicable, please mention the disability in the application.

Please refrain from making requests before October 10th, 2014.

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