







Call for Applications

Three three-month Writing-Up Doctoral Scholarships at the Leibniz ScienceCampus Europe and America in the Modern World in Regensburg

The Leibniz ScienceCampus (LSC) Europe and America in the Modern World: Transformations and Frictions of Globality in Past and Present is a collaboration between the Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies (IOS – www.ios-regensburg.de) and the University of Regensburg (UR – www.ur.de).

Scholars associated with the LSC explore transatlantic interconnections in the past (since around 1800) and present, producing comparative research on phenomena affecting both regions in the context of globality. The LSC works towards a multi-polar and multi-scalar perspective inspired by area studies. Its goal is to explore the macro-scale of European-American relations and their global impact, as well as their effects across socio-cultural groupings and smaller-scale areas, including those in Eastern and Southeastern Europe, Romance-speaking Europe, Germany and Central Europe, North America and Latin America. The ScienceCampus has established international partnerships with institutions in all of these regions and developed a broad collaborative network across Germany since its launch in September 2019.

The Leibniz ScienceCampus Europe and America in the Modern World is offering up to three writing-up scholarships for doctoral researchers lasting a maximum of three months. The scholarships are worth 1,500 EUR per month and must start between 1 December 2023 and 1 April 2024. Applicants are expected to live in or around Regensburg for the duration of their scholarship.

We invite applications from doctoral researchers who are in the writing-up phase of a doctoral degree and are highly likely to complete their dissertation during the three months of funding. Successful applicants should be writing a thesis relevant to the core research focus of the Leibniz ScienceCampus Europe and America, namely exploring the frictions, tensions and multifaceted transformations of globality today and in the past. We will consider projects that explore transatlantic interconnections and exchanges, or offer comparative perspectives on phenomena affecting (parts of) both Europe and America. Projects should be relevant to at least one of the following four Interdisciplinary Research Modules that form the core research profile of the LSC.

The modules are:

- 1. Transatlantic Political Transformations
- 2. Cultures and Hierarchies of Translation
- 3. Transatlantic Trade and Institutions
- 4. Practices of Belonging (*Verheimatlichung*)

We also invite proposals that explore the production of knowledge in the field area studies. More details about the Regensburg LSC and the modules can be found at www.europeamerica.de.







The deadline for applications is 10 September 2023.

Applications must include the following in English or German and should be submitted as a single PDF or in zip file via email to campus@europeamerica.de:

- a covering letter (max. 1 page) outlining your motivation for applying and mentioning any current doctoral or research funding or any current employment;
- a CV including a list of publications if applicable;
- copies/scans of degree certificates and grade transcripts, including any language certificates;
- an outline of your proposed doctoral project (up to 5 pages, including a concise bibliography) that includes, beyond details of your empirical studies, clear research questions, a concise literature review (state of the art), details of the sources, methods and theoretical frameworks you are working with;
- the table of contents of your thesis;
- at least two sample chapters from your doctoral thesis;
- a reference letter from your supervisor that includes an assessment of your doctoral project and your quality as a researcher, as well as confirmation of the estimated completion date of your thesis. If preferred, your supervisor is welcome to contact us separately with this document.

The Leibniz ScienceCampus will offer an office space, affiliation with the IOS and access to excellent research libraries. Successful applicants will be required to acknowledge the Leibniz ScienceCampus funding in their doctoral thesis and in subsequent publications based on it. A copy of the published thesis is to be given to the IOS or UR library. Successful applicants will also be required to submit during the period between completion of the thesis and its defence an article for the blog-journal Frictions (www.frictions.europeamerica.de).

In order to make the most of the program offered by the Leibniz ScienceCampus and its partners in Regensburg, candidates should ideally have at least working knowledge of both English and German. Applications will be assessed by a selection committee made up of the LSC Board of Directors and members of its Steering Committee. Selected candidates may be invited for online interviews.

For more information on the application process, please contact the manager of the ScienceCampus, Dr. Paul Vickers, at campus@europeamerica.de or +49 941 943 5964.

The Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies and the University of Regensburg are equal opportunity employers. The institutions involved in the LSC are committed to the compatibility of family and careers. Applications from women are therefore strongly encouraged. As an international research institution, the LSC welcomes applications from abroad and from candidates of all backgrounds. Applicants with disabilities possessing essentially equivalent qualifications will receive preferential consideration. If applicable, please mention your disability in the application. All information will be treated confidentially.

Please note: Your personal data that you provide during the application procedure will be deleted latest after six months after the end of the application and selection process.