

Doctoral Fellowship for International Doctoral Students in American History/History of the Americas (German Academic Exchange Service, Graduate School Scholarship Program)

Class of Culture and History, Graduate School Language & Literature Munich, University of Munich (LMU)

City: Munich, Germany

Application Deadline: September 30, 2019

Start of Program: April 20, 2019

The Graduate School Language & Literature at Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich (Germany) offers a **doctoral fellowship for excellent international students** wishing to pursue a **doctoral degree in American History/History of the Americas**. The fellowship is sponsored by the German Academic Exchange Service's Graduate School Scholarship Program (GSSP).

The American History doctoral program of the Amerika-Institut at Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (LMU Munich) offers graduate students the opportunity to study major issues in the history, culture, media, politics, and society of the United States, Canada, and the Americas, including the Caribbean. The program is integrated into the Graduate School Language & Literature Munich as its Class of Culture and History (CoHist). While the class aims to overcome the traditional division between North and Latin America, it foregrounds the study of the U.S.- and Canadian experiences. Yet, it seeks to frame the American continents beyond their colonial and nation-state boundaries by situating them as a region of global interdependencies.

The program is systematically structured and research-oriented, offering doctoral candidates the opportunity to present and discuss their individual research projects in seminars, student conferences, and workshops with guest professors. It offers an ideal environment for doctoral candidates since it provides access to a network of internationally renowned scholars and is embedded in LMU's outstanding institutional and research-driven infrastructure.

For more information on the program's structure please visit:

www.lmu.de/gsll/history

More information on the Amerika-Institut at LMU can be found here:

<https://www.en.amerikanistik.uni-muenchen.de/index.html>

Fellowship Information:

- 4-year fellowship
- € 1200 per month
- Travel lump sum depending on the country of origin
- Eligibility for monthly rent subsidy
- Annual research allowance of € 460
- Start in April 2020. If a German language course is needed, the fellowship's start can be postponed to October 2020.

See also: <https://www.daad.de/deutschland/stipendium/datenbank/en/21148-scholarship-database/?detail=57034100>

Application Requirements:

- Academic excellence

- Master degree (or equivalent) in a related field (accomplished within the last six years prior to the fellowship's start in April 2020; thesis graded with at least „good“)
- Non-German nationality
- Residence in Germany not before August 2018
- English language skills (C1)
- German language skills (B2). However, candidates less proficient than B2 are eligible for a German language class prior to the fellowship through the German Academic Exchange Service.

Application Documents (in German or English):

- Research project proposal (max. 5 pages)
- Abstract of your proposal (max. 1 page)
- Schedule for your project including information about possible stays outside of Germany (i.e. archival and other research trips)
- 2 letters of recommendation (professors/lecturers from your home university), to be sent directly to nadine.klopper@lmu.de until Sept. 30, 2019. Please use the following form: <https://www.daad.de/medien/deutschland/stipendien/formulare/recommendation.doc>
- Curriculum vitae
- Letter of motivation
- BA and MA degree certificates with transcripts of records including grades (please include your home university's grade scale)
- Documents certifying knowledge of English and German

Application Process:

- First round: Please send the above documents as one PDF to nadine.klopper@lmu.de until Sept. 30, 2019. Professors should send the recommendation forms separately.
- Second round: Interviews at LMU will take place in October 2019; successful candidates will then be nominated to the German Academic Exchange Service
- Final round: Final decision by German Academic Exchange Service based on submitted documents

Should you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the program's coordinator Dr. Nadine Klopfer: nadine.klopper@lmu.de