

The GHI Warsaw Fellowship Program

The German Historical Institute Warsaw (GHI) offers fellowships to researchers whose work aligns with the Institute's research objectives and available budget resources. We support research in German and East Central European history that requires a stay in Poland, Lithuania, or the Czech Republic. The grants are intended primarily for non-tenured, early-career fellows, and are awarded for periods ranging from one to four months (depending on the research project). We do not provide write-up grants.

The chief criterion for selection is excellence. An additional factor is the degree to which the research project is thematically linked to the current research priorities of the GHI. Funding is only available for projects that are at an advanced stage. The fellowships are designed to cover the additional expenses incurred by recipients during their research stays in Poland, Lithuania, or the Czech Republic. Generally, individuals living in the country where the research takes place are not eligible for funding. If fellowship holders have other income or receive another fellowship, they alone are responsible for meeting any obligations arising from this (e.g., duty to report to employers/fellowship providers, taxation). There is no entitlement to a fellowship from the GHI, and the awarding of the fellowship is contingent upon logistical feasibility.

The German Historical Institute in Warsaw determines the fellowship amount at its sole discretion, taking into account living expenses and the fellowship rates established by German funding institutions. Currently, these amount to 1,300 EUR per month for doctoral students and 1,800 EUR for postdoctoral researchers. In justified cases, we may cover childcare expenses either partially or fully for the duration of the stay.

Applications must be submitted to the deputy director of the German Historical Institute in Warsaw, Dr. Jan Musekamp, by March 31 for fellowships beginning between July and December of the same year or by September 30 for fellowships beginning between January and June of the following year.

The application (max. 5 MB) must be sent as a single PDF file to [dhi\(at\)dhi.waw.pl](mailto:dhi(at)dhi.waw.pl) and should include the following elements:

- Cover letter with information about the desired fellowship period
- CV
- List of publications
- Project description: five pages (1.5-line spacing, 12-point font) or a maximum of 2,500 words (including topic, research questions,

methodological approach, current status of the project, work program, detailed plan for the fellowship period, sources, and literature).

- Information about previous/current funding of the research project from third parties
- Consent to data processing

We kindly ask doctoral students to submit the following additional documents:

- Copy of previous university degrees
- Recommendation letter from doctoral advisor/supervisor
- Information on language skills in Polish/Czech/Lithuanian (as applicable to the proposed research)

Please note that we are only able to process complete applications.

We invite fellowship holders to attend meetings in their respective research areas and participate in GHI events (lectures, colloquia, conferences) and to contribute to discussions at the institute. They are encouraged to provide regular updates to the Institute (to the deputy director or an assigned research fellow within the relevant research focus) on the progress of their research and must submit a detailed final report no later than two months after the conclusion of the fellowship. The GHI kindly requests a copy of all publications resulting from the funded research project for its library.

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