

The GHI Warsaw Scholarship Program

The German Historical Institute Warsaw (GHIW) offers scholarships 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 scholars, 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 GHIW. Funding is only available for projects that are at an advanced stage. The scholarships 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 scholarship holders have other income or receive another scholarship, they alone are responsible for meeting any obligations arising from this (e.g., duty to report to employers/scholarship providers, taxation). There is no entitlement to a scholarship from the GHIW, and the awarding of the scholarship is contingent upon logistical feasibility.

The German Historical Institute in Warsaw determines the scholarship amount at its sole discretion, taking into account living expenses and the scholarship 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 scholarships beginning between July and December of the same year or by September 30 for scholarships beginning between January and June of the following year. The application must be sent as a **single PDF file** (max. 5 MB) 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 scholarship 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 scholarship 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 scholarship holders to attend meetings in their respective research areas and participate in GHIW 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 scholarship. The GHIW kindly requests a copy of all publications resulting from the funded research project for its library.

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