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Kerstin Leitner Berlin Fellowship—Call for Applications



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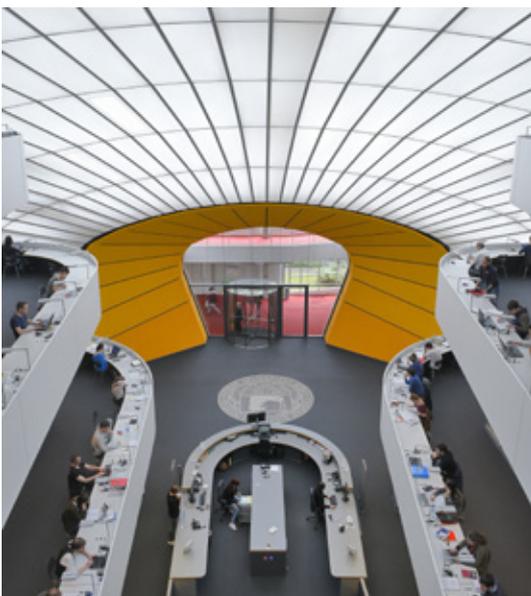


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The Berlin Program for Advanced German and European Studies offers a year of research support at Freie Universität Berlin—one of Germany’s leading research universities. It is open to scholars in all social science and humanities disciplines, including historians working on German and European history since the mid-18th century.

The Kerstin Leitner Berlin Fellowships offer one-year dissertation fellowships for Ph.D. candidates from China’s inner provinces, e.g. Gansu, Shaanxi, Hubei as well as Southern Africa, e.g. Malawi, Zambia, Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe, and South Africa.

Applicants must be full-time graduate students enrolled in a Ph.D. program and have preferably completed all coursework before their fellowship begins. The Kerstin Leitner Berlin Fellowship has a value of EUR 1400 per month and carries a travel reimbursement of EUR 1200 (maximum). In case of equally qualified candidates, female applicants will be given priority.

The program offers a stimulating academic environment that combines excellent research opportunities with intellectual and cultural interaction. With its four universities, 60 research institutes and numerous state and national archives, Berlin is one of the most diverse and prolific centers of higher education and research in Europe.

Our colloquium—which is run in German—serves as a central meeting point for all fellows to share, discuss and support each other’s work. Guided by eminent scholars each semester, the program colloquium also seeks to address current German public debates, invites distinguished guests and arranges cultural excursions.

The Berlin Program is a residential program based at Freie Universität Berlin and administered in close cooperation with our North American partner, the German Studies Association (GSA)—the largest professional association of scholars, professionals and students who focus on the study of German-speaking Europe (www.thegsa.org).