PhD Program between the Freie Universität Berlin (FUB) and the China Scholarship Council (CSC)

Open PhD Position at Freie Universität Berlin, offered only to Chinese CSC scholarship candidates 2020

Please Note: this PhD position is only offered to Chinese PhD candidates for the application in the framework of the FUB-CSC PhD Program.

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**PhD Project description:**

The BGTS is the Graduate School of the Cluster of Excellence “Contestations of the Liberal Script” (SCRIPTS) at Freie Universität Berlin in cooperation with Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, WZB Berlin Social Science Center, Hertie School of Governance and our other partner institutions in Berlin and will also serve as a bridge to our international partners all over the globe. The BGTS offers a structured 3-year doctoral programme and provides a curriculum with standardized elements for all doctoral researchers encompassing theory, research design, methods, transferable skills classes and workshops as well as university didactics and English academic writing seminars. Furthermore, rotating colloquium sessions will give doctoral researchers the opportunity to present and discuss their own projects with different PIs and AIs, postdoctoral fellows, and fellow doctoral researchers.

Different specialization tracks corresponding to the respective disciplinary and regional focus can be pursued either at the BGTS itself, at partner institutions, such as Hertie, or at the respective cooperating graduate schools. Thus, the affiliated doctoral researcher will participate in selected courses and workshops at the graduate school or programme with which they are associated, such as Berlin Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies (BGSMCSC), the Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences (BGSS), the Graduate School of East Asian Studies (GEAS), the Graduate School of North American Studies (GSNAS), and the doctoral programmes in Latin American Studies and Global Intellectual History.

The BGTS builds on the experience and the expertise of the Berlin Graduate School for Transnational Studies (BTS), which is built on a cooperation between Freie Universität Berlin, WZB Berlin Social Science Center and Hertie School of Governance, which has been integrated into the BGTS from January 2019 onwards.
**Language requirements:**
Proof of C1-level English language skills or the equivalent
The C1 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages translates into other tests as follows (scores indicated are minimums):
- IELTS: 8.0
- TOEFL PBT: 603/677
- TOEFL CBT: 263/300
- TOEFL IBT: 110/120
- TOEIC: 785

**Academic requirements:**
Anyone who has completed a master’s degree in social sciences (usually comprising a total of 300 European Credit Transfer System [ECTS] credits including the bachelor’s degree, 1-year Master’s degrees can also be eligible but are subject to review) is eligible to apply. The term “social sciences” refers to political science, area studies, sociology, and history as well as to economics and law.

To apply to the BGTS, you must submit:
- Master’s degree, qualifying for PhD studies in the social sciences, history, economics, law, or area studies;
- proof of C1-level English language skills or the equivalent;
- most recent CV;
- letter of motivation (600 words maximum);
- research proposal (5,000 words maximum) with a timeline for your project;
- two letters of reference from professors at universities or research institutions

**Information of the professor or research group leader (website, awards etc.):**

General information: [www.scripts-berlin.eu](http://www.scripts-berlin.eu)

Please note: In a first step, the complete application must be submitted to the Beijing Office for evaluation by January 4th, 2020. Please do not contact the potential supervisors before. He/she will get in touch with you after having received the complete application via the Beijing Office in January.

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