

1 PhD Scholarship (Fee-Waiver) in "Holocaust and Genocide Studies"

Closing Date for Applications: 11 December 2017

Start Date: February 2018

The Stanley Burton Centre for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, University of Leicester, UK.

The University of Leicester is one of the UK's leading universities, committed to international excellence through the creation of world changing research and high quality, inspirational teaching. In 2008/2009 we were named the Times Higher Education's University of the Year, with the judges describing us as "elite without being elitist". Our School of History was ranked 6th in the UK for research in the 2014 Guardian REF League Table.

The Stanley Burton Centre for Holocaust and Genocide Studies - the oldest Holocaust research centre in the UK - is pleased to offer a scholarship for **February 2018** entry to its Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programme. The scholarship will pay full-time University UK tuition fees for three years (pro-rata for part-time study). The scholarship is open to new postgraduate researchers only - i.e., it is not open to existing postgraduate students.

The successful applicant's research project will be supervised by a member of staff in the Stanley Burton Centre for Holocaust and Genocide Studies, part of the University's School of History, Politics and International Relations. Proposals demonstrating interdisciplinary interests and methodologies are also encouraged.

We welcome applications from those hoping to work in areas that relate to ongoing research at the Centre. The research interests of the Centre and its staff include the history of the Holocaust in Europe, other cases of mass violence in 20th Century Europe (especially central and eastern Europe) and its colonies, as well as memory in post-violence societies including Holocaust representation. The list of possible research areas include:

- History of the Holocaust
- Genocide Studies
- History of Germany/Germanophone Europe
- History of the Balkans
- The origins and consequences of mass violence
- Holocaust representation
- Public and national memory of mass conflicts
- Media and the representation of mass violence
- Post-conflict memorialisation and heritage

Entry Requirements

Applicants must have a first-class or high upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification) in history or a relevant discipline and meet the University's standard English language entry requirements. It is expected that applicants should also have a Masters degree with merit or distinction in a relevant discipline or be able to show evidence that they will achieve this before February 2018. Applicants should be able to demonstrate a strong interest in research and it is desirable that applicants be proficient in at least one language other than English. Presence in Leicester and involvement in the activities of the Burton Centre is a requirement.

This scholarship is open to suitable new UK/EU and International (i.e., outside the EU) applicants. Please note that the award covers tuition fees at the UK rate only. International applicants (and those not eligible to pay UK tuition fees) must demonstrate at the time of their application that they can fund the difference in tuition fee rates.

The scholarship is for full- or part-time study (paid pro-rata in the case of part-time study). Owing to UK visa restrictions, international applicants are not normally able to study part-time. Applicants must be able to commence their studies in February 2018. The scholarship will be renewed annually subject to the student successfully passing yearly evaluation. Students will be encouraged to apply for sources of additional funding such as the Midlands3Cities scheme, and will be offered support through this process.

To apply, simply follow our five-point checklist:

1. Define what you want to research and ensure this is compatible with the areas of research listed above
2. Applications should be accompanied by a thesis proposal of no more than 2000 words outlining the area to be studied, key debates within the field, and initial ideas on potential research methods and primary sources
3. Prepare your supporting documents (transcript of first degree marks, curriculum vitae)
4. State in your application that you are applying for the History Fee Waiver Scholarship in Holocaust and Genocide Studies.
5. Submit your online application

The online application can be found here: <http://www2.le.ac.uk/study/research/phd/history>
The closing date for receipt of applications is 11 December 2017. Interviews to be held in January 2018.

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