

Call for Applications:

The **Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences (BGSS)** is calling for applications to its **International Doctoral Program** and to its **European PhD in Socio-Economic and Statistical Studies (SESS)** starting in October 2018.

Research proposals should relate to the empirical analysis of the following research areas and topics. Cross-cutting topics and methods as well as comparative designs are welcome!

Inclusion:

Welfare State, Migration, Education, Work and Labor, Social Inequality and Change, Global Cities

Democracy:

Democratization, Democracy and its Institutions, Constitutionalism and Rule of Law, Political Behavior of Individuals and Collective Actors, Civil Society and Social Movements

Admission is based on academic excellence and is open to students with a Master's degree (120 CP, state accreditation) or equivalent in social sciences (sociology, political science, and neighboring disciplines such as economics). We expect high-level knowledge of current theoretical debates in the social sciences. Precondition for the application is the documentation of in-depth knowledge of quantitative or qualitative techniques of social research, the commitment to empirical research, and English proficiency at an academic level.

Applicants who successfully passed the selection procedure **need to secure doctoral funding** (e.g. scholarship or research position) in order to be able to start the program. BGSS invites candidates to simultaneously apply for outside sources of funding, such as the DAAD, Erasmus Mundus Funding and fellowships from foundations. Successful candidates whose dissertation project addresses the above-mentioned themes in an East European context will be considered for funding by the Centre for East European and International Studies in Berlin (ZOiS) in conjunction with a part-time position at ZOiS.

Membership at the BGSS and its doctoral programs is contingent on the successful completion of the annual curricular milestones.

Please **submit your application** from **November 22, 2017 to January 3, 2018, 12 noon (CET)** via the BGSS online platforms.

International Doctoral Program:

https://www2.hu-berlin.de/hgs_bewerbung/school/bgss/

European PhD in Socio-Economic and Statistical Studies:

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