



# INFORMATION LETTER FOR STUDENTS “*EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS*” 2.0

*Dear colleagues,*

*Hello again, and that is your information team writing! We wish that everyone had nice winter holidays (and we wish that you did not only eat salads and watch TV, but also looked for opportunities to upgrade yourself), so now we are here to present you the second information letter.*

*Now that is time to apply for different spring and summer activities, and we still have in our list some interesting conferences, scholarships and schools, that will help you to broaden your mind and expand your career and scientific horizons.*

*The structure is the same as earlier - we send to you a short digest of events that you may be interested in; they are split into five sections - Summer schools, Scholarships, PhD and Masters programs, Conferences and Workshops, Job Opportunities & Internships (or Traineeships). Each of them includes some events with its descriptions. Information about the events in every section and all additional things you can find via the links.*

*So put off watching TV shows, stop loafing, and study our list of resources-we are sure that everyone will be able to see an interesting offer for themselves to unlock their own potential!*

*We wish you success and see you soon in the next digest!*

*Team of creators*



# Summer schools

## 1. [Security Governance & Conflict Resolution Summer School](#)

**Where:** University of Amsterdam

**Dates:** from June, 14 till July, 2 2020

**Deadline:** February, 1, 2020 or April, 1, 2020

**Topics:** international security, new wars, human security, “responsibility to protect”, development, human rights, national security in a globalising world, private security companies, gated communities, and security initiatives

**Tuition fee:** €1700 - this includes trips to Brussels, The Hague, and various (inter)national organizations; housing fee is €500 - 650 and €75 refundable deposit

This three-week programme will give students an in-depth look into the ways in which thinking and speaking about security have changed over time, and how stakeholders on various levels deal with conflicts and security, ranging from the international arena to the state and from private security companies to communities and individuals. While at the University of Amsterdam, participants will hear from experts in a variety of related fields and gain a solid theoretical basis from which to explore these topics.

## 2. [Machine-Learning for the Social & Behavioural Sciences Summer School](#)

**Where:** University of Amsterdam

**Dates:** from July, 19 till August, 6 2020

**Deadline:** February, 1, 2020 or April, 1, 2020

**Topics:** Introduction to data wrangling, data visualization and machine learning models using the programming language Python

**Tuition fee:** €1600 including lunch on class days, all course materials, excursions and events; Housing fee (optional) €500 - 650

This three-week programme will give students a solid introduction to data analysis using the easy and widely used programming language, Python. The structure of the course is such that students learn about a new method or skill in the morning lecture and then immediately apply them in a practical session in the afternoon, thereby ensuring that students acquire hands-on knowledge they can apply to their own research questions. The practical sessions consist of data analysis problems based on real data taken from the social and behavioral sciences, such as the European Social Survey, data from social media (Twitter and LinkedIn), questionnaire data, and time series collected with the Experience Sampling Method (ESM).

## 3. [Comprehensive Introduction to Research Methodology and Design Summer School](#)

**Where:** University of Amsterdam

**Dates:** from July, 19 till August, 12 2020

**Deadline:** February, 1, 2020 or April, 1, 2020

**Topics:** participant observation as a key element of ethnographic research, the interview, and the focus group discussion, anthropology, sociology or political science  
**Tuition fee:** €1600 including lunch on class days, all course materials, excursions and events; Housing fee (optional) €500 - 650

This course aims to lay a solid, diverse and integrated foundation for conducting first-rate qualitative and quantitative research, and for embedding it in effective and feasible mixed-method research designs. At the end of this summer programme, students will have a good understanding of the most important principles and practices of social science research. They will also be able to improve their knowledge and skills independently after the course, and thus pursue their substantive research interests without methodological hindrance. This programme begins with the presentation and discussion of the most important qualitative methods for all students in the social and behavioural sciences. We then focus on the inferential possibilities and limitations of various research strategies, introducing students to the crucial issues of research design.

4. [Summer University: The Politics of Nationalist Mobilization](#)

**Where:** Central European University, Hungary, Budapest

**Dates:** 22-26 June, 2020

**Deadline:** February, 14, 2020

**Topics:** migration, territorial and supra-territorial governance, political science, international relations, anthropology, philosophy, sociology, law and public policy

**Tuition fee:** €350 (early birds fee €300)

The course provides an overview of the main topical issues and scholarly perspectives on the politics of nationalist mobilization in the contemporary world. The main aim of the course is to explore the dynamics of nationalist revival in Europe and beyond. Through the comparative analyses of different cases in and outside Europe, the course seeks to investigate the social, political and economic contextual variables that facilitate (and, indeed, hinder) nationalist mobilization. The main objective of the course is to test theories of nationalist contention in comparative analysis in order to find out when, why and how nationalist claims making succeeds or fails. In order to complement the macro-political dimension of nationalist mobilization, the course will also incorporate bottom-up micro-sociological perspectives (everyday nationhood, national indifference) to investigate how nationalist politics impact (or fail to impact) the everyday life and behavior of citizens.

## Scholarships

1. [Lo Kwee Seong Education Foundation Travel and Conference Grants, Dr.](#)

**Where:** Hong Kong University

**Dates:** will open in mid-November 2019 and close in early February 2020;

announcement of results will be made in the second quarter of 2020

**Deadline:** 12:00 (noon), February, 7, 2020

The late Dr. Lo Kwee-Seong formed the Lo Kwee Seong Foundation (formerly known as K. S. Lo Foundation) in 1991 with the following missions: to promote vocational and technical education, general education, learning culture and the arts; to give financial assistance for the furtherance of health and relief of poverty and sickness; to promote social welfare and support charity; and to support hospitals, vocational or technical schools, home for the aged and art museums for the benefit of the public.

**Main requirements:** The grants shall be awarded to postgraduate students studying MPhil or PhD degree in any discipline with limited financial resources.

Those who are interested could follow the online application form [here](#).

2. [Edinburgh Global Research Scholarship](#)

**Where:** The University of Edinburgh

**Dates:** all applicants will be notified of the outcome by the end of April 2020

**Deadline:** 23:59 GMT, February, 17, 2020

These awards are designed to attract high quality overseas research students to the University of Edinburgh. Each scholarship will cover the difference between the tuition fee for a UK/EU postgraduate student and that chargeable to an overseas postgraduate student. Subject to satisfactory progress, the awards are tenable for up to three years.

**Main requirements:** The awards are open to overseas nationals commencing a PhD in any field of study in 2020-2021. Applicants must be of outstanding academic merit and research potential.

The University of Edinburgh will not generally consider candidates who have already obtained a PhD, or formal equivalent, as a result of direct research training. Students already on a PhD programme cannot be considered for these awards.

For more details on this award please contact Scholarships and Student Funding Services via e-mail: [studentfunding@ed.ac.uk](mailto:studentfunding@ed.ac.uk).

3. [Silk-Road Scholarship](#)

**Where:** Seoul National University

**Dates:** from 10:00, March, 9, 2020 till 17:00, March, 26, 2020

**Deadline:** 17:00, March, 26, 2020

The Silk-Road Scholarship Program is jointly funded by the SBS Cultural Foundation and Seoul National University, established in Fall 2009. This program is designed specifically for students wishing to study Humanities and Social Sciences. This program intends to promote, support, and contribute to expansion of the field of Humanities as a fundamental area of study which was under-funded due to the development of technology field; and supporting education and research for international students.

**Main requirements:** Applicants from the countries in the Silk-Road area who want to study humanities or social sciences, including Korean language, history, culture, politics, and economics.

For more details on this award please contact SNU staff in charge via e-mail: [intlscholarship@snu.ac.kr](mailto:intlscholarship@snu.ac.kr).

4. [Gates Cambridge Scholarship](#)

**Where:** University of Cambridge

**Dates:** Applications for 2020 entry are now open

**Deadline:** March, 13, 2020

The Gates Cambridge Scholarship programme was established in October 2000 by a donation of US\$210m from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to the University of Cambridge. For 2020 entry, Gates Cambridge will offer 80 full-cost scholarships to outstanding applicants from countries outside the UK to pursue a full-time postgraduate degree in any subject available at the University of Cambridge. The selection criteria are outstanding intellectual ability, reasons for choice of course, a commitment to improving the lives of others, leadership potential.

**Main requirements:** You can apply for a Gates Cambridge Scholarship if you are a citizen of any country outside the United Kingdom, and applying to pursue one of the following full-time residential courses of study at the University of Cambridge (PhD, MSc/MLitt, one-year postgraduate course).

You may apply via the University's Graduate Applicant Portal. Full details can be found at [www.graduate.study.cam.ac.uk](http://www.graduate.study.cam.ac.uk).

## Master Programmes & PhDs

1. [PhD programs in Political Science, Psychology and Sociology at the Center for Doctoral Studies in Social and Behavioral Sciences \(CDSS\)](#)

**Where:** Mannheim, Germany

**Deadline:** January 31, 2020 (Early Deadline); March 31, 2020 (Final Deadline)

**Scholarship:** €1250 p/month

The programme invites excellent fellows to elaborate their research papers in the field of Political Science, Sociology and Psychology. The CDSS PhD Program offers courses in topical areas of research and advanced methods. Afterwards, students are either funded by a continuation scholarship or teaching/research assistantships at the University of Mannheim.

**Main requirements:** 1) letter of motivation (700 words max), 2) written sample (3500 words max with bibliography) in English or German (for example, an essay on your research interests or one of your paper written during your studies - NOT the dissertation or proposal), 3) certificates and grades transcripts, 4) TOEFL scores (min 600 papers based or 100 internet based).

Those who are interested could follow the online application form [here](#).

2. [The International Max Planck Research School on the Social and Political Constitution of the Economy \(IMPRS-SPCE\)](#)

**Where:** Cologne, Germany

**Deadline:** February 28, 2020

**Scholarship:** €1468 p/month

Max Planck Research School on the Social and Political Constitution of the Economy (IMPRS-SPCE) is a unique international three-and-a-half-year doctoral program. Fellows of this programme will have an opportunity to work in a stimulating intellectual environment within an international research community with financial support and possibility to study in one of the partner institutions in France, Italy and the USA.

**Main requirements:** Applicants must hold a master's degree or equivalent in a discipline relevant to the School's program (sociology, political science, economics, organization studies, or related fields). To fill the form, the applicants have to provide the letter of motivation, CV, research proposal, example of the scholarly work (up to 20 pages), two letters of recommendation and official transcripts of studies.

Those who are interested could follow the online application form [here](#).

3. [Doctoral Programme in Governance](#)

**Where:** Berlin, Germany

**Deadline:** January 31, 2020

**Scholarship:** €1250 p/month

The Hertie School gives its applicants a chance to expand their social capital through the communication with international scholars and experts in their scientific research field. In their first year, PhD researchers attend research design and methods training that support their dissertation research. In addition to the trainings offered at the Hertie School, doctoral researchers benefit from a broad range of specific methods trainings offered by our partner universities in Berlin.

**Main requirements:** English proficiency proof (TOEFL scores: min 600 papers based or 100 internet based, IELTS: 7.0 overall, 7.0 writing score), two letters of recommendation, research proposal (1500-2000 words).

Those who are interested could follow the online application form [here](#).

4. [Postgraduates Program of Chinese Government Scholarship](#)

**Where:** Beihang, China

**Program:** Master program could be found [here](#), PhD - [here](#).

**Deadline:** February 29, 2020

**Scholarship:** Available. Living Allowance: ¥2500 RMB for Bachelor Candidates, ¥3000 RMB for MS Candidates and 3500 Yuan RMB for PhD Candidates.

**Application fee:** \$70

International students, who want to study for Master's Degree or Doctoral Degree at Beihang University (BUAA), are welcome to apply for the Postgraduates Program of Chinese Government Scholarship at Beihang University. The Postgraduates Program of Chinese Government Scholarship at Beihang University is a full time program with full scholarship, covering tuition fee, accommodation, living allowance, normal medical service, comprehensive insurance, etc., but not the international travel expenses. The program will start in early September 2020 and the study period is 2 to 2.5 years for master program and 3 to 4 years for doctoral program.

**Main requirements:** Candidates should have Bachelor Degree and be under the age of 35 (MA); Candidates should have Master Degree and be under the age of 40 (PhD). Good command of English or Chinese and be able to take courses in English or Chinese (proficiency - for the applicants whose educational language is not English or Chinese: TOEFL - 80, IELTS: 5.5 overall).

Those who are interested could follow the online application form [here](#).

5. [Dissertation Completion Fellowship at Haverford College, 2020-2021](#)

**Where:** Haverford, the USA

**Deadline:** February 14, 2020

**Scholarship:** Available. The fellowship comes with a competitive salary, health benefits, and funds for research and travel.

The John B. Hurford '60 Center for the Arts and Humanities at Haverford College invites applications for a one-year Dissertation Completion Fellowship to begin Fall 2020 in Visual Studies. We are particularly interested in candidates whose work focuses on one or more of the following areas of specialty that will afford connection with other programs here at Haverford: Gender and Sexuality Studies, Africana Studies, Health Studies, Latin American, Iberian and Latino Studies, or Peace, Justice, and Human Rights.

**Main requirements:** Submit a cover letter, CV, two course proposals, writing sample (max 25 pages), two letters of recommendation.

Those who are interested could follow the online application form [here](#).

## Internships & Job Opportunities

1. [EED - European Endowment for Democracy](#)

**Where:** Brussels, Belgium

**Duration:** February 1, 2020 - February 1, 2021

**Deadline:** January 31, 2020

**Salary:** €1400 p/month

The European Endowment for Democracy is calling for interns! If you are interested in democracy support and have strong skills in design, especially for social media, you have a



chance to have a traineeship in Brussels. During your stay you will have to support managers, prepare and regulate e-newsletters, manage social media accounts such as Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn.

**Main requirements:** degree in journalism, politics, sociology or equivalent, English proficiency, knowledge of graphic design (Canva, Adobe), Content Management Systems (Joomla, MailChimp), writing skills, experience of working with social media. Knowledge of Arabic, Russian, Turkish, Western Balkans languages is an advantage. CV and two letters of recommendation. Written test as one of the step of the application process.

Those who are interested should fill an online form [here](#).

2. [Schuman Traineeships in the European Parliament](#)

**Where:** Luxembourg, Luxembourg

**Duration:** October 1, 2020 - February 28/29, 2021 **OR** March 1, 2021 - July 31, 2021

**Deadline:** June 30, 2020 **OR** November 30, 2020 respectively.

The goal of the Schuman traineeships is to contribute to EU citizens' European education and vocational training and to provide an insight into the work of the European Parliament. As part of Parliament's commitment to honouring journalists who were killed during the exercise of their work, the Directorate General for Communication (Directorate for Media) offers a number of Schuman traineeships in memory of Ján Kuciak, the Slovakian investigative journalist who was murdered in February 2018.

**Main requirements:** be nationals of a Member State of the European Union or an accession/candidate country in order to apply (however, the Competent Authority can offer a limited number of traineeships to nationals of other countries); be aged 18+; hold a university level diploma(s); the language requirement; CV; letter of motivation.

Those who are interested should follow the instructions from [here](#).

## Conferences & Workshops

1. [Fifth Annual Tartu Conference on Russian and East European Studies Post-Socialist \(dis\)Orders](#)

**Where:** Tartu, Estonia

**Working language:** English

**Dates:** June 7-9, 2020

**Deadline:** January 20, 2020

**Tuition Fee:** €50

The Tartu Conference is a venue for academic discussion of the fundamental cultural, social, economic and political trends affecting all aspects of people's life in Russia and Eastern Europe. The Programme Committee will consider proposals addressing the above and related questions as well as other issues relevant to the development of Central and Eastern Europe, Russia and Eurasia from any disciplinary angle. Interdisciplinary perspectives are especially welcome.

**Main requirements:** submit a proposal (include an abstract of no more than 250 words)



Those who are interested could submit their proposals using the link [here](#).

2. [IAPSS World Congress 2020 Democracy, Identity and Power organised by the International Association for Political Science Students](#)

**Where:** Vienna, Austria

**Working language:** English

**Dates:** April 21-24, 2020

**Deadline:** January 27, 2020 (early deadline), February 17, 2020 (last call)

**Tuition Fee:** up to €15 for the 1 year membership (Prices for Russian citizens. For other countries, please follow the link [here](#)).

IAPSS World Congress 2020 in partnership with CEU (Central European University) is calling for abstracts on Democracy, Identity and Power. Student from more than 50 countries will have an opportunity not only to present their research but also to communicate with many professors to expand their knowledge in the study field. So that IAPSS hopes to encourage students and junior scholars from different academic perspectives, such as: comparative politics, international relations, international political economy, political theory, security studies, public policy and administration, regional and area studies as well as political psychology and behavior studies, and international law, to participate in this exciting academic discussion.

**Main requirements:** being registered by purchasing a ticket in the [IAPSS Web Store](#). In addition, a valid IAPSS membership is needed to be eligible to register and participate in the conference + An applicant must send an abstract of no more than 250 words.

Those who are interested could submit their proposals using the link [here](#) (please, scroll the page to find the form).

3. [The 5th Paper Development Workshop in Organization and Management Studies for PhD Students and Early Career Scholars in Central Eastern and South Eastern Europe \(CESEE\)](#)

**Where:** Saint Petersburg, Russia

**Working language:** English

**Dates:** June 11-12, 2020

**Deadline:** January 25, 2020

**Tuition Fee:** free + meals are provided

The workshop is aimed at helping young researchers to develop their research and academic writing skills. It also seeks to increase participants' awareness of the requirements, expectations, and procedures involved in the review processes at top peer-reviewed academic journals through presentations and first-hand discussion with established scholars and editors of scientific journals. After, you will have a chance to participate into the EGOS Colloquium in Amsterdam in July 2021 and to the OMT Division of the Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management in Philadelphia in August 2021 since such conference presentations are an important step towards publication.

**Main requirements:** submit a letter of motivation, abstract of the study you want to elaborate (max. 2000 words, including purpose, theoretical background and methodological approach).

**Financial Aid:** max. €300 for travel and accommodation - for participants who need it and who cannot obtain (sufficient) funding from their home institutions.

Those who are interested could submit their proposals as a single PDF file to Katerina Guba via this [email](#), using the subject line 'CESEE 2020'.

4. [The 7th International Conference on Eurasian Politics & Society IEPAS 2020](#)

**Where:** Lisbon, Portugal

**Working language:** English

**Dates:** May 14-15, 2020

**Deadline:** February 29, 2020

**Tuition Fee:** Early bird registration (before April 1, 2020 - €100 euros + 20 euros discount. It includes the abstract book and other conference materials. In addition, Registration Fee Waivers for young researchers are available.

This international and interdisciplinary conference will bring together a range of academics and practitioners to discuss new directions of research and discovery on Eurasian Studies in the areas of politics, IR and economics. Participants of the conference will have an excellent opportunity for presenting new researches, exchanging information and discussing current issues. For example, the applicants will have a chance to discuss their papers with the invited speakers one of whom is Prof. Richard Sakwa.

**Main requirements:** submit an abstract including methodology, main assumptions and conclusions of paper (up to 500 words). The deadline for the registration is **April 16, 2020** (contact them via this [e-mail](#)).

Those who are interested could fill the online application form [here](#). If you are going to submit a panel, please submit your proposal through the [email](#).

5. [UACES 50th Annual Conference](#)

**Where:** Belfast, Northern Ireland

**Working language:** English

**Dates:** September 6-9, 2020

**Deadline:** January 26, 2020

**Tuition Fee:** The registration fees have not yet been set (in the last year it was £120 for Students). The registration fee includes lunch on Monday and Tuesday and coffee breaks throughout the conference.

The conference brings together academics and practitioners from around the world to present and discuss the latest research on Europe and the European Union. The proposals could be accepted from a range of disciplines including political science, EU public policy, geography, cultural studies, anthropology, European history, European law, economics, philosophy and sociology.

**Main requirements:** submit an abstract (250 words).

Those who are interested could register and fill the online application form [here](#).