

INFORMATION LETTER FOR STUDENTS “EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS” 5.0



Dear friends,

Hello again, and this is your information team writing! We wish everyone had a nice springtime, because it is warm period connected with refreshing and discovering something new! Now we are ready to present you the next update of our information letter.

That is time to apply for different summer activities, and we have in our list some interesting conferences, scholarships and schools. Again, we have done a great job to gather even more information for you about some interesting conferences, scholarships and schools, which will help you to broaden your mind and expand your career and scientific horizons.

Please, follow usual structure - Summer schools, Scholarships, PhD and Masters Programs, Conferences and Workshops, Job Opportunities & Internships. 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.

Find something useful and interesting exactly for you. Apply for each suitable offer in our guide. We are sure that everyone will be able to see a perfect offer for themselves to unlock their own potential!

We also keep working to make our next release better, because it is very important for us to help you find the most suitable offers for every person. As usual, we wish you success and see you soon in the next digest!



Team of editors

Summer schools

1. [US-Russia Relations between the Cold Wars](#)

Where: HSE, Moscow

Dates: June, 29 - July, 4, 2020

Deadline: April, 20, 2020

Tuition fee: 50\$ registration fee, 400\$ full course payment, for students of a Partner University - 20% discount

The course contains conceptual analyses and practical study of the US-Russia relations since the end of the Cold War. It explores structural problems and theoretical patterns of the relations, as well as analyzes their evolution during the last 20 years. Special attention is given to analysis of US-Russia relations under the first Obama Administration, known as the 'reset'. An important feature of the course is that it approaches problems of US-Russia relations and their development in the wider context of the two countries' foreign and domestic policies during a given period of time, as well as of the challenges and opportunities the sides have faced in the international environment. US-Russia relations are thus dealt with as part of the bigger picture of the two countries' development and the evolution of their international positions.

2. [BRICS and Sustainable Development](#)

Where: HSE, Moscow

Dates: June, 29 - July, 11, 2020

Deadline: April, 20, 2020

Tuition fee: 50\$ registration fee, 800\$ full course payment, for students of a Partner University - 20% discount

BRICS Network University offers a course dedicated to the sustainable development in BRICS countries. BRICS can be considered as a new type of organization, which has not had enough time yet to realize itself fully. At the same time, BRICS unites five very influential states whose economies are developing rapidly. According to 2018 data, more than 43% of the population lives in BRICS and more than 22.3% of the world gross domestic product is concentrated in the group. On the other hand, an important task of modern world economic growth is to implement the Concept of sustainable development, which is particularly relevant in the BRICS countries. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development is the most ambitious of the UN documents adopted to date. The 17 goals and 169 targets listed in it have become an official part of the strategic planning for all countries that have signed the document, including the BRICS.

3. [Case Study Research Method](#)

Where: University of Oslo, Norway

Dates: June, 29 – July, 3, 2020

Topics: process tracing, multimethod research, statistics, interviews, surveys

Deadline: June, 1, 2020

Tuition fee: 480 €

The seminar will begin with a focus on the philosophy of science, theory construction, theory testing, causality, and causal inference. With this epistemological grounding, the seminar will then explore the core issues in case study research design, including methods of structured and focused comparisons of cases, typological theory, case selection, process tracing, and the use of counterfactual analysis. Next, the seminar will look at the epistemological assumptions, comparative strengths and weaknesses, and proper domain of case study methods and alternative methods, particularly statistical methods and formal modeling, and address ways of combining these methods in a single research project. The seminar then examines field research techniques, including archival research and interviews.

4. [Qualitative Research Catalogue: An Overview of Three Methods](#)

Where: Utrecht University, Netherlands

Dates: July, 6 – July, 10, 2020

Topics: Data selection, Data collection, Data analysis, Presentation of results, Rigor/ trustworthiness, Ethics, Quality

Deadline: June, 19, 2020

Tuition fee: 700€ - course fee, 200€ - housing fee

This course gives a bird's eye view of the fundamentals of three qualitative research methods – Case study research, Grounded theory, and Ethnography. The purpose of this course is therefore to answer the question – How can the researcher go from the initial research questions to the findings to the final report using Case study research / Grounded theory / Ethnography? As a final step, different rigor / trustworthiness, ethics, and overall quality concerns affecting each method will also be discussed.

5. [Hypothesis Testing 3.0](#)

Where: Utrecht University, Netherlands

Dates: July, 6 – July, 9, 2020

Topics: hypothesis evaluation and testing, Bayes factor, Bayesian error probabilities, GORIC

Deadline: June, 19, 2020

Tuition fee: 600€ - course fee, 200€ - housing fee

This 4-day course discusses the evaluation of theory-based hypotheses using p-values, the Bayes factor, and information criteria. There will be attention for contemporary phenomena, like publication bias, questionable research practices, the replication crisis, the statistical evaluation of replication studies and studies in which multiple data sets are used to evaluate the same research question. The course will be non-technical in nature, that is, it is targeted at students and researchers who want to use the approaches presented for the evaluation of their own data.

Scholarships

1. [Leeds Masters Scholarships](#)

Where: University of Leeds, UK

Dates: Applications is opening

Deadline: Friday, 26 June 2020, at 12 noon

Leeds Masters Scholarships aim to encourage students from under-represented groups to study a postgraduate qualification. They are funded by the generous donations of our alumni through the University of Leeds Footsteps Fund. Leeds Masters Scholarship recipients also have access to the University's Plus Programme throughout their studies, providing dozens of free and bespoke activities during the year, pastoral support, extra funding opportunities and more.

Main requirements: commence a full-time, part-time or distance learning Masters programme at the University of Leeds beginning September 2020; be a UK student paying postgraduate tuition fees at the UK rate; not already hold a Masters degree; not have your postgraduate tuition fees paid for you.

[Apply online](#) for Leeds Masters Scholarship. If your question is not answered there, please email pg-fsp@leeds.ac.uk.

2. [British Chevening Scholarship](#)

Where: The University of Manchester

Dates: Applications is opening

Deadline: Varies according to country applied from. Check with home country's British Council or British High Commission office.

Chevening Scholarships are the UK government's global scholarship programme, funded by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) and partner organisations. The Scholarships are awarded to outstanding scholars with leadership potential. Awards are typically for a one-year Master's degree.

Main requirements: Postgraduate taught; graduate with proven academic skills and established in a career. Must have good English language skills - usually a minimum of IELTS of 6.5; available to international students; must hold an offer of study at The University of Manchester before applying for this funding.

For further information on applying for a Chevening Scholarship, sign up for alerts at <http://www.chevening.org>. Applicants can also contact the Chevening Scholarships Secretariat at <http://www.chevening.org/contact-us>.

3. [Think Big Postgraduate Scholarships](#)

Where: University of Bristol

Dates: Applications is opening

Deadline: 1.Round One Deadline: 11:59pm (GMT) Sunday 29 March 2020.
Successful applicants will be informed via email by 24 April 2020.

2. Round Two Deadline: 11:59pm (GMT) Sunday 14 June 2020. Successful applicants will be informed via email by 10 July 2020.

You can apply for a Think Big Postgraduate Scholarship if you are classed as an overseas student for fee purposes AND have applied to start a one-year, full-time taught postgraduate programme at the University of Bristol in September 2020. A number of awards valued at £5,000, £10,000 and £20,000 are available to Postgraduate students for September 2020 entry. The awards can only be used as fee waivers towards the cost of tuition fees.

You can [submit an application](#) for the Think Big Postgraduate Scholarship using the International Scholarships [online application form](#). Please read [the terms and conditions](#) before applying.

4. [Wellington Doctoral Scholarships](#)

Where: Wellington University

Dates: Applications is opening

Deadline: Three rounds each year closing 1 March, 1 July and 1 November.

To encourage postgraduate research Victoria University of Wellington offers scholarships to those about to begin their doctoral studies. These scholarships are awarded on academic merit and are open to New Zealand and international students in any discipline. Read the scholarship ranking criteria to see how scholarship applications are assessed. There are limited numbers of scholarships available each round, and you may be offered admission without a scholarship. It is therefore important that you investigate alternative funding options.

Main requirements: have a strong academic record and excellent academic references; demonstrated potential for high quality research; a record of publication in high quality journals commensurate with experience and education.

Applicants must read the full [Doctoral Scholarship Regulations](#) before submitting their application. If you are interested, you may apply for a Wellington Doctoral Scholarship by [submitting an application online](#).

5. [Adelaide Scholarships International](#)

Where: The University of Adelaide

Dates: Applications is opening

Deadline: July, 10, 2020

The University of Adelaide offers a number of Adelaide Scholarships International to outstanding international graduates from any country to commence their education via a Masters or Doctorate degree by research. Awards are available in all Discipline areas. Provides a 100% Tuition Fee Waiver which covers the cost of tuition fees as a higher degree by research student of the University of Adelaide for up to 2 years for a Research Master degree, and up to 3 years (with a possible 6 month extension) for a Doctor of Philosophy. Provides a living allowance of AUD28,092 (2020 rate, indexed annually) per annum for up to 2 years for a Research Master degree, and up to 3 years

(with a possible 6 month extension) for a Doctor of Philosophy. It is likely to be tax exempt, subject to Taxation Office approval. Provides financial support for an Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) World care policy, plus relocation and publication expenses.

Main requirements: must be international students who are acceptable to commence a Masters or Doctorate by research degree at the University of Adelaide; provide evidence of meeting the University of Adelaide's minimum English language proficiency requirements; have successfully completed at least the equivalent of a First Class Australian Honors degree.

Application for 'Admission and a Scholarship' must be submitted using [the Online Application Form](#).

Master Programmes & PhDs

1. [Two PhD positions in Sociology and one position in Urban Sociology](#)

Where: Uppsala, Sweden

Deadline: March 12, 2020

Salary: will be paid according with the guidelines of Uppsala University.

Uppsala University welcomes applications for two doctoral student positions in sociology based at the Department of Sociology. One further doctoral position will be appointed in urban sociology linked to the Institute for housing and urban research. The Department seeks to appoint candidates with excellent academic merits who can demonstrate their potential for research in any area of sociology (two candidates) or in urban sociology (one candidate). Uppsala University strives to be an inclusive workplace that promotes equal opportunities and attracts qualified candidates who can contribute to the University's excellence and diversity. We welcome applications from all sections of the community and from people of all backgrounds.

Main requirements: 1) a degree at an advanced level, 2) 90 credits in sociology, 3) research plan of about 2000 words (excluding references), 4) letter of motivation, 6) two referees names.

Those who are interested could find an online application form [here](#). An application form, which you need to upload, can be found [here](#).

2. [PhD Project "Making International Climate Cooperation Work: A Quantitative Analysis of Climate Treaty-Making"](#)

Where: Glasgow, Scotland

Deadline: April 30, 2020 (midday)

Scholarship:

- an annual maintenance stipend at RCUK rate (2020/21 rate £15,285)
- fees at the standard home rate (indicative fee level for 2020/21 £4,407)
- students can also draw on a pooled Research Training Support Grant, usually up to a maximum of £750 per year

This project aims to develop a better understanding of how governments of individual countries make multilateral agreements. Existing models tend to focus on each government's decision to participate in a treaty, one by one. This project seeks to offer a quantitative analysis of international cooperation on climate change by advancing statistical models that are appropriate to capture the above described strategic and social network dynamics. Several governments have already declared a climate emergency, and any successful applicant would not only acquire advanced quantitative methods skills, but would also be trained in using these methods to address a major societal challenge of our time.

Main requirements: 1) [application form](#), 2) academic transcripts, 3) two letters of recommendation, 4) CV, 5) letter of motivation (single page), 6) English language proficiency.

There are three steps to apply. First, applicants register on GradHub and fill out EO data (this is a requirement of the application process). Second, applicants complete and upload the prescribed list of required documentation to include (see **main requirements**). Third, applicants must submit application through GradHub via the [link](#).

3. [Russian-Ukrainian Joint Research Project for Young Historians](#)

Where: Geneva, Switzerland

Deadline: April 20, 2020

Scholarship: F3000

In 2019, a Trilateral Working Group of Ukrainian, Russian and Swiss historians was created in Geneva. Its goal is to deepen understanding of the history of Ukraine and Russia. The Trilateral Group offers a platform for joint reflection on the conflicts of memory in Russia and Ukraine that have emerged since the collapse of the USSR in 1991 and have gained momentum after 2014. One of the aims of the Working Group is to create a platform for joint research projects among young historians from both countries. For this purpose, the Trilateral Working Group is launching a call for applications for Ukrainian-Russian Joint Research Projects of young historians (Master students and PhD candidates in history). The aim of this call is to grant financial and academic support to winning research projects on general topics. To promote joint research, the Trilateral Group will form bilateral research teams of advanced students and young researchers based on individual applications.

Main requirements: 1) the research project (max. 2 pages), 2) CV, 3) letter of motivation, 4) a work sample, 5) a list of publications (if possible).

Those who are interested could submit all required docs to this [e-mail](#).

4. [MA/ PhD at Bamberg Graduate School of Social Sciences \(BAGSS\)](#)

Where: Bamberg, Germany

Deadline: March 15, 2020

Scholarship: €1,200 p/month, a travel allowance depending on the country

of origin, a combined health, accident and liability insurance, a study and research allowance of 460 EUR per year, a rent and/or family allowance if applicable

The Bamberg Graduate School of Social Sciences is a multidisciplinary Graduate School funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG) as part of the German Excellence Initiative. We are seeking to stimulate and guide cutting-edge doctoral research on some of the most crucial challenges modern knowledge-based societies are facing. BAGSS is inviting applications by highly qualified graduates from the fields of Sociology, Psychology, Educational Science, Political Science, Labour and Educational Economics, Demography and Statistics. Candidates must hold a Master's degree (or equivalent) in one of the aforementioned subjects or be very close to completion and should not have lived in Germany for more than 15 months by the start of the membership.

Main requirements:

One PDF (in the following order):

- 1) *Cover letter*;
- 2) *CV* - including full contact information;
- 3) *Abstract* of your research proposal of at most 1 page;
- 4) *research proposal* of the planned dissertation project (only one research proposal) on at most 4 pages (font Arial, size 11, 1.5 line spacing);
- 5) *Work schedule*. In the work schedule (1 page), planned periods and destinations of research or field trips including a rough cost estimate should be included;
- 6) *Scans* of the following transcripts and certificates. a) School leaving certificates giving the right of entry to higher education in your home country, with individual grades. b) All university transcripts, for the bachelor's, master's or any other degrees, stating all individual grades. c) All university diploma or degree certificates indicating the final grade, including an explanation of the grading system (i.e. maximum attainable grade, minimum grade to pass, etc.). If your transcripts or certificates have been issued in other languages than English or German, then certified translations need to be provided;
- 7) *Proof of English language proficiency*: IELTS (minimum band score of 7), TOEFL (minimum score of 95 ibt), CAE (pass), Unicert III (pass). An academic degree completed entirely in English, i.e. with a final thesis written in English is NOT accepted as a sufficient proof of your English language skills. You have to provide one of the above mentioned certificates. Exceptions are made for nationals of the following countries: Australia, Canada, Ireland, United Kingdom, United States of America and New Zealand;
- 8) *Short self-written statement about your knowledge of German*. While the programme is conducted entirely in English, willingness to learn German or improve existing German language skills is expected;
- 9) *Knowledge of social science research methods*. This short, self-written description (not more than half a page, font Arial, size 11, 1.5 line spacing) should contain information on your methodological training or practical experience in applying methods;

10) *Two letters of recommendation.* These letters should be sent to us via post in a sealed envelope. Please use the **form provided by the DAAD**, which can be found [here](#);

(Please do not include the letters of recommendation in your application file. The letters have to be sealed by your recommenders **before** they are handed to you.)

Your recommenders should send the letter to this address: University of Bamberg, Bamberg Graduate School of Social Sciences, Feldkirchen str. 21, 96052 Bamberg, Germany

11) *Privacy Policy Agreement.* This document must be signed. Download the document [here](#).

All application materials must be submitted in English (except for certificates and transcripts, which may also be provided in German).

Those who are interested could submit all required docs in one Pdf via [online form](#).

5. [Government of Ireland - International Education Scholarships \(GOI-IES\)](#)

Where: [List](#) of eligible Irish institutions (p.7), Ireland

Deadline: March 27, 2020 (5 p.m. Irish time)

Scholarship: €10,000 p/year

The Higher Education Authority (HEA) is pleased to issue the 2020 Call under the Government of Ireland International Education Scholarships Programme. The aim of the 2020 GOI-IES scheme is to reflect Ireland's engagement in target partner countries. The scheme is operated in the higher education sector and funded in partnership between the Government and the higher education institutions (HEIs). Scholarships will be branded as prestigious awards reflecting the core messages about Ireland as a centre of international education. It is expected that for every scholarship winner, awareness of Ireland will be raised among many more potential students. Under the initiative, 60 scholarships will be provided for one-year study at Bachelor, Master or PhD levels to successful candidates who have an offer of a place at an eligible Irish higher education institution.

The offer is open to students from non-EU/EEA countries and is applicable to all fields of study.

Main requirements: 1) Academic qualifications, 2) personal statement, 3) two references (upload via the online portal).

Applications can be submitted via the online portal [here](#).

Internships & Job Opportunities

1. [Work as administrative Executive at Cerri](#)

Where: remote work

Working language: English

Deadline: no

Salary: ₺ 70,000

Cerri, a Swiss IT-company with more than 20 years of experience in project management software development and offices in Europe and North America, is entering the Russian market. They are looking for a well-organized and responsible person with fluent English skills to manage the administrative work remotely. **Main requirements:** 1) Bachelor/Master degree from a university, 2) fluent in English (written and spoken), 3) proficiency in French and/or German will be a plus, 4) Google and MS Office

Those who are interested please submit the application to this [e-mail](#).

2. [EU Project Assistant](#)

Where: Corigliano-Rossano, Italy

Working language: English

Deadline: March 8, 2020

Duration: 3 months+

Calling for enthusiastic university students or recent graduates eager to gain experience in the project management supporting the Project Manager with all the tasks concerning the PCM. It's a great opportunity to learn about EU funding opportunities and improve your project management skills. The applicants' duties are identifying funding opportunities, applying to request of partnership, selecting partners for internal project proposals and assisting in administrative tasks and project management.

Main requirements: 1) good knowledge of project management, 2) MS Office skills, 3) letter of motivation, 4) CV.

Those who are interested please send required documents (motivation + CV) to this [email](#) indicating:

- preferred period according to the ones mentioned above.
- university deadline for erasmus traineeship application

3. [Global Voices Internship Programme | Human Resources](#)

Where: Stirling, Scotland

Working language: English

Dates: September 7 - December 4, 2020

Deadline: April 24, 2020

Global Voices has gained a reputation for teaching graduates highly regarded skills, and giving valuable experience at a prestigious, and well-respected company. During your internship you may be given the opportunity to move into the Future Leaders Programme (depending on availability) should you wish to consider a career with us. The Global Voices Future Leaders Programme is aimed at ambitious graduates who are ready to take their first steps on an exciting career journey with one of the most exciting language companies in Europe. As part of the Future Leaders Programme, you'll have the opportunity to work with our expert staff in our Human Resources Team. You'll gain valuable skills and experience which will put you in a prime position to begin a career with Global Voices at the end of the programme.

Main requirements: English at level B2 or above + *Desirable skills:* 1) *Adobe/Photoshop Experience*, 2) *Microsoft Office*, 3) *SDL Trados experience*.

You can apply via the online form [here](#) pressing the button “Apply”.

Conferences & Workshops

1. [25th Annual Conference of Central European Political Science Association](#)
[“Challenges to Democracy: Political Processes in Central and Eastern Europe”](#)

Where: Olsztyn, Poland

Working language: English

Dates: October 15-16, 2020

Deadline: June 30, 2020

The aim of the conference is therefore a scientific reflection on the challenges facing contemporary democracy in Central and Eastern Europe and an analysis of factors affecting the quality of democracy in the region. A significant research challenge will also be an analysis of factors affecting the relatively low political participation of societies in Central and Eastern European countries. A characteristic element for the region – which will also be a subject of discussion – is the growing role of populism and proposals for implementation of new types of “democracy with adjectives” (e.g. illiberal democracy, sovereign democracy). The above-mentioned challenges will constitute the main axis of discussions undertaken during the conference. Factors determining the answer for the following dilemma will be presented: to what extent is modern democracy coexistence or a peaceful war of all against all. The conclusions reached because of the conference will be the basis for the implementation of comparative research with regard to the challenges and threats to democracy in Central and Eastern Europe and in a supra-regional approach.

Main requirements: paper title and summary of its theme (approx. 250 words + up to 5 keywords).

Proposals should be submitted to this [e-mail](#).

2. [The sixth conference of the International Journal of Press/Politics](#)

Where: Loughborough, the UK

Working language: English

Dates: June 29-30, 2020

Deadline: March 13, 2020

Tuition fee: registration fee is £250

The conference focuses on academic research on the relation between media and political processes around the world. The conference brings together scholars conducting internationally-oriented or comparative research on the intersection between news media and politics around the world. It aims to provide a forum for

academics from a wide range of disciplines, countries, and methodological approaches to advance research in this area.

Main requirements: submit an abstract (max. 300 words).

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

3. [Beyond 'deficits and dividends' Interdisciplinary and critical perspectives on migration-driven super diversity](#)

Where: Birmingham, the UK

Working language: English

Dates: September 9-11, 2020

Deadline: April 15, 2020

Fee: concessionary registration fee will be available for early career participants, civil society organizations, and participants from low income countries.

The Institute for Research into Super diversity at the University of Birmingham is organizing the 6th International interdisciplinary conference on causes, consequences, challenges and opportunities emerging from migration-driven super diversification. We intend to provide an opportunity for participants (scholars, policymakers, practitioners and civil society organizations) not only to examine both deficits and dividends, recognizing that these are multi-faceted and frequently interconnected, but also to put forward alternative ways to frame the debate away from simplistic binaries. The conference will feature keynote speeches, invited plenaries, academic panels and a policy roundtable on topics at the forefront of the super diversity research agenda.

Main requirements: 1) abstract (max 250 words) and short biographical note (100 words) about the author including her/his current position and interest in the field of diversity and migration

Those who are interested could submit their papers via the [online form](#).

4. [Social Outcomes Conference 2020](#)

Where: Oxford, UK

Working language: English

Dates: September 3-4, 2020

Deadline: April 30, 2020

Fee: participation - £290 (2-day full fee), £145 (1-day full fee), £90 (2-day student fee) or £45 (1-day student fee) - includes lunch on both days as well as a conference dinner in Oxford on the evening of 3rd September. You can book a place on the [online store](#).

The fifth edition of the international conference on impact bonds and outcomes-based approaches will once again bring together the leading researchers, policymakers and practitioners in the field of social outcomes. The conference will feature discussions

on the latest thinking and findings from academic research, alongside insights from the emerging practice across different geographies, disciplines and policy areas.

Main requirements: an abstract of your paper (500 words).

Those who are interested could submit their abstracts via the [online form](#).

5. [CFP Echoes in Chambers: Do Elected Representatives Amplify Minority Voice?](#)

Where: Flensburg, Germany

Working language: English

Dates: June 11-13, 2020

Deadline: April 2, 2020

Financial Aid: A limited number of travel and accommodation bursaries are available for early career researchers and PhD students, if they do not have access to any other funding

The workshop invites papers focusing on the role and on the contribution of political parties and individual politicians elected to speak on behalf of the regionally concentrated minorities in municipalities, regional legislatures, and European Parliament. We seek to explore how the elected representatives of minority communities navigate both above and below the institutional structures of the nation-state to advance the interests of their electorates across Europe. We hope to understand which strategies of minority participation in formal institutions bring about political outcomes overlapping most with claims made by minorities. We welcome comparative studies, looking at two or more cases of the dynamics of political parties and elites within their own territory, in relation to the wider nation-state, and within the European Union.

Main requirements: 1) a proposal of up to 200 words

Those who are interested please submit their proposals via the [link](#) in the title.