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GESCHWISTER SCHOLL INSTITUTE FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE CHAIR OF COMPARATIVE POLITICAL SYSTEMS (EASTERN MIDDLE EUROPE AND EURASIA)



Call for Applications:

Winter School 2019/2020 in Munich & St. Petersburg Civil Societies Compared: Germany and Russia

Information meeting Monday, 24.06.2019 18:00 GSI, room 057

GSI and the Faculty of International Relations and Politics of the Russian Presidential Academy of National Economy and Public Administration (RANEPA) St. Petersburg invite students to apply for the Winter School "Civil Societies Compared: Germany and Russia", taking place during winter term 2019/2020 in Munich and St. Petersburg.

## Aim & Programme:

The aim of the Winter School is to obtain a comprehensive picture of civil society in Russia and Germany. In introductory seminars, group discussions and guest lectures, we will address the theoretical foundations of the "third sector, civil society and "social capital". During subsequent visits to civil society initiatives and NGOs in St. Petersburg and Munich, you will get to know relevant actors and possibilities of participation to reflect on the basis of civil society activities in Russia and Germany. In small German-Russian groups you will conduct your own case studies on the work of civil society organisations in both countries.

#### **Eligibility:**

The Winter School is open to 15 students from GSI. Since it is held in English, fluency in spoken and written English is required. Knowledge of Russian language is an asset, but not obligatory.

## Participation and study credit:

Participation in the Winter School involves (mandatory)

- preparatory seminar on civil society (several dates in October 2019)
- week-long programme during the visit of Russian students in Munich (November 11-17, 2019)
- independent project in small research groups related to civil society initiatives in Russia and Germany (November 2019 February 2020)
- week-long programme in St. Petersburg (February 16-23, 2020)

If you wish, you can be awarded ECTS for module WP5 (B.A.) and module WP1, 4/5 (M.A.). This requires completing the relevant examinations specified in your examination regulations.

#### Costs:

The costs for participation, travel, accommodation and food during the stay in St. Petersburg are covered by funds of the Federal Foreign Office. However, you are expected to provide health insurance and cover minimal expenses for public transport in St. Petersburg.

# **Application:**

Please send a short letter of motivation (1 page, in English) presenting yourself and explaining your interest in the Winter School to <a href="mailto:baumann.julia@lmu.de">baumann.julia@lmu.de</a>. Deadline for application: June 30, 2019. In case of questions, please do not hesitate to contact Julia Baumann (089 2180 9077).

We are looking forward to your application!

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