



# Visiting Program for Early Career Researchers at the European University Viadrina

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For over 30 years, the European University Viadrina in Frankfurt-Słubice has been a vibrant hub of European academic life. Located in the heart of Europe, it brings together scholars and students to address key issues for Europe's future. With a strong interdisciplinary approach, Viadrina is deeply international, attracting around 5,000 students from over 100 countries. It maintains more than 250 global partnerships, particularly with institutions in Central and Eastern Europe. Since its reestablishment in 1991, Viadrina has thrived as a respected member of the German and European academic community.

#### **Objectives**

The objective of the *Visiting Program for Early Career Researchers* is to foster the development of researchers' careers by supporting academic research and promoting international exchange. The fellowship is aimed at early career researchers from the ERUA alliance who seek to establish long-term collaborations with scholars at the European University Viadrina, enabling joint research initiatives. It offers the opportunity to conduct research abroad, gain new skills, and advance academic careers. By providing experience in Germany, the program helps researchers broaden their expertise and expand their professional networks across Europe and beyond.

The program is designed for doctoral students and post-doctoral researchers who are pursuing an academic career and do not have a permanent position in academia.

Period of Stay: 1 month (between October and December 2024).

## Who can apply for the fellowship?

Doctoral candidates and post-doctoral researchers from universities and associated partners in the ERUA alliance who focus on one of the ERUA research areas:

Migration, Exile and Refugees; Environmental Transition; Democracy & Human Rights, Inclusion & Gender Equality; Interculturality, Multilingualism; Arts and Margins

as well as additional European University Viadrina key areas:

Digital Transformation and Social Change; Law and European Society; Market and Enterprise; Crises and Conflicts; Borders and Migrations; Language Use and Cultural Practices.

The researcher will receive funding for the entire duration of the fellowship. The fellowship includes a living allowance (€1,000) and a mobility allowance (up to €400). Candidates staying in November may also participate in the ERUA Research Week from 11. November to 15. It is organized by the European University Viadrina in cooperation with the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).

### How to apply?

By 1 October 2024, candidates must submit the following application package:

- Curriculum Vitae (including a publication list, if applicable)
- Letter of motivation (max. 2 pages)
- · Proof of affiliation to one of the listed universities.

The letter of motivation should clearly refer to the objectives of the program and explain how the applicant's research fits into the above-mentioned themes. It should identify a specific researcher and the department at European University Viadrina with whom the collaboration is sought, explain why this person is a suitable partner for the project, and how this person can act as a point of contact. The letter should also describe the planned research and networking activities during the one-month stay. In addition, applicants should detail how they are prepared to contribute to the academic exchange by describing their specific matching expertise, skills, or resources, and how they envision continuing the collaboration beyond the initial stay.

#### Relevant documents and information

For more information on the application and evaluation process, or for assistance in identifying potential partners, please contact our project coordinator. Please submit your application electronically as a single PDF file (max. 2 MB) to Sara Bonin (bonin@europa-uni.de) with "Visiting Program for Early Career Researchers" in the subject line.

#### For more information, please contact

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