

Call for Applications

Visiting Scholars Program 2018-2019 & Kennedy Fellowship Opportunity for EU Scholars Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies (CES) at Harvard University

Application Deadline: December 15, 2017

The Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies (CES) at Harvard University invites postdoctoral scholars from Sciences Po to apply for two opportunities:

1. Visiting Scholars Program 2018-2019 with funding available through the Sciences Po-CES Exchange Agreement.
2. Kennedy Fellowship for EU nationals offering a \$60,000 stipend to participate in the CES Visiting Scholars Program.

Please note: These opportunities require separate application processes and have different eligibility requirements. Details are outlined below.

About the Center

The Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies (CES) is the oldest university center devoted to the study of Europe in the United States. It is a vibrant, multidisciplinary community of individuals inspired by exploring Europe's history, politics, economics, culture and societies. Since its founding in 1969 at Harvard's Faculty of Arts and Sciences, CES has trained generations of the world's leading scholars of Europe through its support of undergraduate and graduate research, teaching, and the hosting of public leaders and visiting scholars.

Visiting Scholars Program

Program Overview

The Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies (CES) at Harvard University invites applications for its Visiting Scholars Program for 2018-2019. The program offers postdoctoral social scientists and historians the opportunity to spend up to one year at Harvard University for independent research on Europe or transatlantic relations. Successful candidates benefit from the Center's programs on Europe and Harvard University's intellectually stimulating environment. As part of the program, they receive shared office space at the Center and gain access to the university's extensive library resources.

Visiting Scholars are admitted on a competitive basis for a period of at least three months and up to one year during the academic year which extends from September 2018 through May 2019. Applicants must have a Ph.D. and can range from postdoctoral fellows to senior scholars. The Center considers candidates from a wide range of disciplinary perspectives, including economics, history, political science, and sociology.

For additional information about the program, please visit the CES website:
<https://ces.fas.harvard.edu/opportunities/fellows/visiting-scholars>.

Sciences Po–CES Exchange Agreement

As part of a faculty exchange agreement, CES will accept one Sciences Po Visiting Scholar per semester. Scholars are admitted on a competitive basis for a period of at least three months during the 2018-2019 academic year. The Fall Semester runs from September through December and the Spring Semester runs from late January through late May. A stipend of €5,000¹ will be given to the selected Sciences Po Visiting Scholar by the Sciences Po Scientific Department. This is supplemented with a CES grant of \$900 (US) per month.

¹ Le soutien financier apporté par la Direction scientifique de Sciences Po prendra la forme de remboursement de frais de voyage et d'installation pour une période de 6 mois à hauteur de 5000.00 € sur présentation de factures ou éventuellement per diem. Une avance peut également être versée.

Benefits

During the program Visiting Scholars at CES have the opportunity to:

- Present research in a weekly Visiting Scholars Seminar and receive feedback on work-in-progress from colleagues in their field.
- Participate in the Center's full program of talks, study group sessions, and conferences.
- Expand their research by accessing Harvard's resources including the world's largest university library, and audit courses on campus with the instructor's permission.

Eligibility

Applicants to the CES Visiting Scholars Program must:

- Pursue an independent project on modern Europe or transatlantic relations in history or the social sciences.
- Possess a Ph.D. at the time of application.
- Be prepared to be in residence locally for a minimum of three months (at least two months must be during the academic year).
- Preference is given to faculty who have not already spent a significant period at Harvard University.

How to Apply

Applicants who wish to be considered for the 2018-2019 academic year should submit the following materials by **December 15, 2017** to emmanuelle.narcisse@sciencespo.fr (The subject line of the message should be: "CES Harvard Application"):

- Cover letter including requested dates of residence. (Note: University appointments have a minimum of three months and a maximum of one year.)
- Current curriculum vitae, not to exceed five pages.
- Title and 3-5 page description of research or project to be carried out at CES.
- 150-word abstract of research project.
- In the case of non-native English speakers: TOEFL scores or a brief, signed letter attesting to competency in spoken and written English.
- Two letters of recommendation are also required.

The **Center for the Americas** of the International Division at Sciences Po, a resource and welcome center for students, professors and researchers working on the Americas, informs reviews and guides faculty applying to the CES/Harvard scholarship program. **All questions and inquiries concerning the Visiting Scholars program should be addressed to Caroline Guény-Mentré, Head, Center for the Americas, International Division, Sciences Po at caroline.guentymentre@sciencespo.fr.**

Kennedy Memorial Fellowship (for EU nationals other than Germany*)

In addition to the Sciences Po-CES Exchange Agreement, CES is inviting eligible candidates from Sciences Po to apply for a \$60,000 stipend to participate in its Visiting Scholars Program. The fellowship is formally known as the “German Kennedy Memorial Fellowship.”

Overview

Through the John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellowship established in 1966 as an endowment with funds from the German Government, each year CES supports up to three postdoctoral scholars from Germany. **In 2016, the fellowship was expanded to support one additional postdoctoral scholar from other EU member states. The fellowship provides a stipend of \$60,000 for 10 months of residential research between September and June.** Fellowship recipients join other visiting researchers at CES as part of the Visiting Scholars Program.

Eligibility

The German Kennedy Memorial Fellowship is offered to scholars who are:

- Citizens of a European Union member state other than Germany.
- Post-doctoral social scientists who are working on modern Europe or transatlantic relations in history or the social sciences.
- Possess a Ph.D. at the time of application.
- Have completed their Ph.D. degree no more than 8 years prior to the application and have a track record of publications.
- Be prepared to be in residence locally for 10 months from September 2018 to June 2019; applicants may not hold concurrent appointments.
- Have excellent command of English.
- Preference is given to applicants who intend to pursue academic careers in Europe.

How to Apply

Please note that this fellowship is administered by CES. Eligible scholars should:

- Review the additional information and requirements for the fellowship at this link: <https://ces.fas.harvard.edu/opportunities/fellows/jfk-fellows/kennedy-fellowship-eu-scholars>
- Submit their application via the CES online application portal by **December 15, 2017**. Early applications are strongly encouraged.

All questions concerning the German Kennedy Memorial Fellowship should be addressed to the CES Program Coordinator, Roumiana Theunissen, at rtheunissen@fas.harvard.edu.

** Note to German nationals: scholars from Germany may apply to the John F. Kennedy Memorial Fellowship, which is administered through a separate application process by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD). For more information, please visit:*

https://www.daad.de/medien/ausland/dokumente/ausschreibung_jfk_eng.pdf.