

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 1 SCHOLARSHIP FOR DOCTORAL CANDIDATES

The Heidelberg Center for Ibero-American Studies (HCIAS), Germany, together with the Heidelberg Center Latin America (HCLA) in Santiago de Chile, is inviting young scholars to apply for one scholarship to pursue a doctorate in interdisciplinary Ibero-American Studies at Heidelberg University. This scholarship is to be granted by the *Landesgraduiertenförderungsprogramm* of the State of Baden-Württemberg and will support a doctoral candidate in conducting their research project within the framework of the **HCIAS doctoral research group “Communication and Society in Ibero-America”**.

The doctoral research group at the HCIAS

The interdisciplinary doctoral research group “Communication and Society in Ibero-America” allows young scholars to collaborate with both peers and experienced researchers from Heidelberg University, as well as international partner institutions in order to foster interdisciplinary dialogue. The doctoral theses developed within this group aim at addressing grand challenges affecting Ibero-American societies, paying special attention to societal dynamics and communication. An important part of the group's research revolves around the concept of linguistic heritage. The heritage speaker is crucial to the study of contact through migration and intergenerational language transmission. The offered scholarship aims to strengthen this focus.

Applicant's profile

For the doctoral research group “Communication and Society in Ibero-America,” we are seeking dependable, highly-motivated applicants with a spirit for teamwork in an international research environment centered on interdisciplinary issues.

To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants

1. must have completed their master's degree (or equivalent) in Hispanic Studies;
2. must present a convincing project proposal that exhibits their command of the relevant theories and methods;
3. the project should focus on the processes of acquisition, maintenance, or loss of the Spanish language by heritage speakers;
4. should have previous experience in research contexts (e.g., research stays, internships within research groups/institutes, student/graduate assistant, etc.).

Provisions

Scholarship funding is comprised of

- a monthly stipend of €1,365;
- a lump sum of €110 per month for material and travel expenses;
- if applicable, a family allowance.

The duration of this scholarship is limited to a maximum of 20 months starting 1 October 2023. Please be aware that the scholarship recipient is required to pursue his/her research on location at the HCIAS in Heidelberg, Germany.

Application documents and procedure

To apply for this scholarship at the HCIAS, please submit the following documents in **one single PDF** document via e-mail to doctorate@hcias.uni-heidelberg.de by **23 July**:

- Curriculum Vitae
- motivation letter
- exposé of the proposed project
- one letter of recommendation (to be written by a university professor)

Interviews with the selection committee will take place shortly after the deadline.

Heidelberg University stands for equal opportunity and diversity. Qualified female candidates are especially invited to apply. Disabled persons will be given preference if they are equally qualified. Information on the collection of personal data is available [here](#).