

## Call for Applications

# Summer School 2019

## Populism

### The Status of Liberal Democracy in Comparative Perspective

for Master and PhD Students

University of Haifa, Israel

July 3 -12, 2019

The *Haifa Center for German and European Studies* invites applications from advanced Master students and PhD candidates to participate in a **10-day summer school on the topic of Populism**. We especially encourage applications by students of History, Political Science, International Relations, Law as well as German and European Studies.

This summer school serves as a forum for exchange across the disciplines and the research projects of those working on topics related to populism across the DAAD network. Populism is an increasingly hot topic both in public discourse as well as in academia. We are going to try embark together on a journey exploring the available definitions, case studies from across time and around the world, and limits of what populism is and how we can grapple with it. We encourage applications from early stage researchers (advanced MA students and PhD students) whose topics connect with populism – this can range from contemporary projects focusing on the new (far) right across the world to older political attempts to capture the popular sentiment. Political science and history will by default be central disciplines, but we are interested in all related topics from any discipline.

The summer school will combine expert talks and workshops with sessions in which the participants discuss their research with each other and with senior researchers present. The summer school also includes daily and intensive language courses in either German, Hebrew, or Arabic. These will be offered according to the levels and choices of our participants as far as is possible.

This Summer School is conducted in cooperation with the Willy Brandt Center for German and European Studies (University of Wroclaw), the Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich (LMU) and the Minerva Center for the Rule of Law under Extreme Conditions (University of Haifa) and part of the

trilateral Summer School program “Germany, Israel and Poland: Challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century in light of shared history and culture”.

Successful applicants will receive a travel grant and accommodation (double rooms with private bathroom and breakfast in the German Colony in Haifa) during the summer school.

Applications need to include:

- a short motivation letter (max. 500 words);
- a short CV (max. 2 pages);
- a project title and a short abstract (max. 350 words) (indicating how your research relates to the overall theme);
- an indication of which language course is preferred (for German please indicate level).

Please also state how you are affiliated with a DAAD center.

**The application deadline is 31 April 2019.**

Applications should be send to the HCGES: [hcg@univ.haifa.ac.il](mailto:hcg@univ.haifa.ac.il).

Successful applicants will receive detailed information on travel and logistics as well as a detailed course syllabus.

Questions? Please contact Katharina Konarek, the academic coordinator of the HCGES via:

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