

Residential Research Scholar Application Packet

Helping to bridge the gap between the scholarly and policy worlds here and throughout the disparate countries of the region.



Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

Application Deadline: December 1

EES RESEARCH SCHOLAR GRANT

Eligibility

EES research scholarships are available to American citizens or permanent residents in the early stages of their academic careers or to scholars whose careers have been interrupted or delayed. For non-academics, an equivalent degree of professional achievement is expected.

This is a residential program requiring visiting scholars to remain in the Washington, DC area and to forego other academic and professional obligations for the duration of the grant.

Project Scope

Projects on Eastern Europe should focus on fields in the social sciences and humanities including, but not limited to: Anthropology, History, Political Science, Slavic Languages and Literatures and Sociology. All projects should aim to highlight their potential policy relevance. While Southeast Europe remains a primary focus, projects on Central Europe and the Baltic states are again eligible.

The Application

A complete application must include the following:

- the enclosed two-page, single-sided Research Scholar Application Form;
- 2. a curriculum vitae;
- 3. a concise description of your research project; and,
- 4. three letters of recommendation in support of the research to be conducted at the Wilson Center.

Grants are available only to American citizens and permanent residents. Scholars working on policy relevant projects related to Southeast Europe or to the wider region but dealing with issues that can be credibly linked to issues in the Western Balkans are eligible to apply.

DEADLINE

All application materials must be received by **December 1**.

SEND ALL MATERIALS TO

East European Studies The Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars One Woodrow Wilson Plaza 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004-3027

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Telephone: (202) 691-4222 E-Mail: ees@wilsoncenter.org



INSTRUCTIONS FOR RESEARCH SCHOLAR APPLICANTS

Project Statement

This is the most important element in the selection process since it may be the only direct evidence an individual panelist has of the quality of your work. It is essential to make your project clear to an interdisciplinary academic review panel and to bring out the broader implications of your study. Specialized concepts should be defined and technical terms kept to a minimum. While EES recognizes that project proposals will vary according to disciplinary or professional backgrounds, the basic elements below should be incorporated into the text:

- a detailed description of the topic and its importance beyond the interests of the specific field of study;
- 2. the policy relevance of the topic;
- 3. the originality of the proposed study;
- 4. the basic ideas and hypotheses;
- 5. the methods or approaches to be used; and
- the materials that will be drawn upon and, where appropriate, the importance of Washington-area resources.

Letter of Recommendation

Three letters of reference must be sent directly to EES by the application deadline of December 1. Your referees should be familiar with you and your work, and should be sent a copy of your project description so that they can comment specifically upon your proposed study, your qualifications for undertaking it, and how you and/or your work would contribute to the East European Studies program's goal of bridging the gap between the scholarly and policy worlds here and throughout the disparate countries of the region. The letters should follow the guidelines for referees outlined in the Reference Letter Form included in this packet.

Funding

The Research Scholar grant is supported by The Act for Research and Training for Eastern Europe and Independent States of the Former Soviet Union (Title VIII) of the United States Department of State.

Research Scholar grant recipients will reside at the Woodrow Wilson Center, located in the heart of Washington, DC, for a period of two to four months.



RESEARCH SCHOLAR APPLICATION FORM



Personal Data

Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial
Address to which correspondence should be sent:		Telephone Numbers:
		Home:
		Office:
		Fax:
		Email:
Date and Place of Birth:		Citizenship:
Social Security (or Passport) Number:		Sex:
Professional title and institution	onal affiliation:	
Proposed dates of fellowship:		
Field of study:		
References		
Please ask your referees to	o send their recommend	ations directly to EES by December 1.
1) Name, Institutional Aff	iliation and Department	
2)		
Name, Institutional Aff	iliation and Department	

3) ______ Name, Institutional Affiliation and Department

Project Information

Title of project:_____

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ducation	Date	Institution	Major Field
DA/DC		institution	Wajor Fleid
Ph.D.			
Other			
rofessional /	Occupation	nal Experience: List current position	first.
	Dates	Organization	Position

100-word precis of attached project proposal and its significance:

Fellowships / Honors: List most recent first.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____



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# To be completed by Applicant	# To be completed by Referee
Name of Applicant:	Name of Referee:
Project Title:	Department:
	Employing Institution:
	Signature:
	Date:
# Referee's comments: (See the back of this page for guidelines and additional writing space)	

Guidelines for Referees

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- # the significance of the proposed research the importance and originality of the project as well as its policy relevance;
- # the quality of the proposal in definition, organization, clarity and scope; and,
- # the capabilities and achievements of the applicant.

If you prefer to use standard 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " by 11" paper rather than this form, please indicate clearly on each sheet the full name of the applicant and the project title, and sign the letter.

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