Call for Visiting Scholars – Summer Term 2027

Margherita von Brentano Center for Gender Studies, Freie Universität Berlin

The Margherita von Brentano Center at Freie Universität Berlin offers non-stipendiary visiting fellowships to excellent scholars who are conducting research related to one of the following research fields:

- Sexual Harassment, Discrimination and Violence
- Knowledge Production, Power, and Gender Relations in Academia and Beyond
- Digital Transformations, Gender Equality and Social Inclusion
- Feminist, Diversity and Intersectional Politics

Visiting scholar appointments are from approx. 4 to 8 weeks and have to be carried out during the Summer Term 2027 (Mid-April to July)[1] during which time scholars will pursue independent research and will have the opportunity to interact with faculty, students, and researchers within the field of gender studies. We will give preference to applications that include a stay during the week of June 21–25, when the MvBZ will be actively involved in the International Staff Week 2027 hosted by Freie Universität Berlin. Visiting scholars will be involved in these activities.

Researchers who have previously been part of our Visiting Scholar Program can be found here.

Responsibilities

Visiting Scholars are expected to actively participate in the academic activities of the MvBZ. These include the participation in workshops and lecture series. We encourage visiting scholars to present their ongoing work. The center requests that in return, scholars in residence acknowledge the center's support in any publications that result from this research period.

Support

The MvBZ does not provide funding nor health or work insurance. Visiting scholars are expected to be self-funded and self-insured. Visiting Scholars enjoy full access to the Freie Universität libraries and electronic resources, and will receive an e-mail account for the duration of their stay at the MvBZ. The accommodation office of Freie Universität can provide support in finding accommodation.

Application

Applicants should email the following documents by **November 30, 2026** to bewerbungen@mvbz.fu-berlin.de:

- Cover letter
- Curriculum Vitae

[1] Calendar: http://www.fu-berlin.de/en/studium/studienorganisation/termine/index.html#dates

- Outline of your research project including the work you propose to conduct during your stay at the MvBZ
- List of publications
- If applicable: (link to) one of your publications related to the proposed research project (English, German or Spanish)

Selection criteria

MvBZ welcomes applications from academic researchers from diverse disciplinary backgrounds who hold a doctoral degree (PhD or equivalent) or are in the final stages of their doctoral studies (please note that we cannot provide supervision), and whose proposed research relates to the research topics of the MvBZ. We require a fluent command of either German or English.

Notification

Applicants will be notified of the decision in writing by December 21, 2026.

In case of any questions please contact:

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