

Dear Colleagues/ Szanowni Państwo

I am delighted to share with you information about the first edition of an **international fellowship program** for doctoral candidates and postdocs organized by POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews and the Jewish Historical Institute of Poland within the Global Education Outreach Program. **Applications for 2016/17 should be submitted by 30 November 2015.**

We also invite individuals and institutions to propose three-day **research workshops** to be held at POLIN Museum on topics related to the history and culture of Polish Jews, including new perspectives on public history, museums, and cultural memory. **Applications for 2016 should be submitted by 20 December 2015.**

Attached you shall find information concerning the fellowships and the workshops application process. We invite you to take part and kindly ask you to share this information on your website or among young scholars and colleagues who might benefit from this scheme. I will be happy to answer all your questions.

The Global Education Outreach Program is made possible thanks to the support of the William K. Bowes Jr Foundation and the Taube Foundation for Jewish Life and Culture and the Association of the Jewish Historical Institute of Poland.

Z radością przesyłam Państwu informację o pierwszej edycji **międzynarodowego programu stypendialnego** dla doktorantów i postdoców, organizowanego przez Muzeum Historii Żydów Polskich POLIN i Żydowski Instytut Historyczny w ramach Global Education Outreach Program. **Termin nadsyłania zgłoszeń na stypendia w roku akademickim 2016/17 upływa 30 listopada 2015.**

Jednocześnie serdecznie zapraszam osoby oraz instytucje do zgłaszania propozycji **trzydniowych warsztatów naukowych**, które mogłyby odbyć się w Muzeum POLIN na tematy związane z historią i kulturą Żydów polskich, w tym uwzględniające nowe perspektywy na zagadnienia dziedzictwa i pamięci historycznej oraz muzealnictwa. **Termin nadsyłania zgłoszeń na warsztaty na rok 2016 upływa 20 grudnia 2015.**

Mam nadzieję, że zainteresują Państwa przygotowane przez nas programy. Ze swojej strony serdecznie zapraszam do współpracy i uprzejmie proszę o przekazanie informacji osobom potencjalnie zainteresowanym. W razie pytań lub wątpliwości chętnie udzielę dodatkowych informacji.

Program jest realizowany w ramach Global Education Outreach Program dzięki wsparciu Taube Foundation for Jewish Life & Culture, William K. Bowes, Jr. Foundation oraz Stowarzyszenia Żydowski Instytut Historyczny w Polsce.

Sincerely/ Z pozdrowieniami

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POLIN Research Fellowships for Doctoral and Postdoctoral Candidates

POLIN Museum's Global Educational Outreach Program, supported by the William K. Bowes Jr Foundation and the Taube Foundation for Jewish Life and Culture, is offering up to six doctoral and post-doctoral fellowships for from three to five consecutive months in residence at POLIN Museum and the Jewish Historical Institute (ŻIH). The fellowship stipend is \$2,000 per month.

Our goal is to support the scholarship on the Jewish history and culture in the territories of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth and its successor states and new cohort of scholars expert in this field. Fellows will be draw on POLIN Museum's Core Exhibition, Resource Center, library, and collection and on its expert staff. They will also have access to the archive, library , and collection of the Jewish Historical Institute. They will also be able to take advantage of libraries, archives, and academic institutions research centers in Warsaw, Poland's vibrant capital city, Cracow, and elsewhere in Poland.

Fellows will be provided with a working space. POLIN Museum will offer assistance in finding housing in Warsaw.

Fellows will have the opportunity to:

- present their work-in-progress in a monthly seminar and receive feedback from their colleagues
- participate in the full programme of lectures, workshops, and conferences at POLIN Museum and the Jewish Historical Institute
- conduct research in archives and libraries in Warsaw and of Poland
- consult with an assigned mentor from POLIN Museum, the Jewish Historical Institute, or other academic institution in Warsaw or Poland.

Requirements

Candidate for fellowships may apply for a period of between three and five months and must have at least a passive knowledge of Polish and a working knowledge of English. Applicants from any discipline related to the history and culture of Polish Jews may apply. Applicants from doctoral programmes from the United States and Canada should be ABD. Those from Europe, Israel and other countries should be within two years of completing their PhD. Post-doctoral candidates must have completed a PhD within the past five years.

The Application Process

Applicants should submit their curriculum vitae (no longer than four pages), a detailed statement of current research, including work plans during the fellowship (up to 2000 words), and one writing sample (no more than 25 pages). Applications should be submitted in English and PDF format to GEOP@polin.pl.

Two letters of recommendation should be submitted directly by the recommenders in English by e-mail to GEOP@polin.pl. Members of the Selection Committee (see below) may not write letters of recommendation. Only two letters will be considered.

- **Application deadline: November, 30, 2015**
- **Deadline for letters of recommendation: December 13, 2015.**
- **Decisions will be announced by March 2016.**
- **Fellowships may start as early as September 2016, and should be completed no later than August 2017.**
- **For more information, please email: GEOP@polin.pl**

Call for Applications: Research Workshops

We invite individuals and institutions to propose three-day research workshops to be held at POLIN Museum on topics related to the history and culture of Polish Jews, including new perspectives on public history, museums, and cultural memory. We especially encourage interdisciplinary and comparative approaches.

GEOP covers half of the costs of organization (travel, accommodation, and meals). We also offer venues and organizational support before and during the workshops. We will support up to four workshops a year.

Proposals for workshops should contain:

- short biography of the workshop facilitator,
- workshop subject and its contribution to the field (up to 2000 words),
- suggested workshop dates,
- proposed workshop participants (up to 15, with at least 5 confirmed),
- list of institutional partner(s) and their contribution.
- Deadline for workshops in 2016: December 20, 2015.

Decisions will be announced by January 30, 2016.

Submit proposals to GEOP@polin.pl.

For more information, email: GEOP@polin.pl.