

## EAST EUROPEAN STUDIES

# Residential Research Scholar Application Packet

**Deadline: December 1** 



#### EES RESEARCH SCHOLAR GRANT

EES Title VIII Residential Scholar program plays a critical role in the career development of young scholars as well as promoting the research by established scholars working on the region of Postcommunist Eastern Europe. Grants are intended to give scholars the opportunity either to complete existing projects or to commence new research in the heart of Washington, D.C., where they can establish links to U.S. government officials and become better attuned to how their research can inform policy. As a result, the Research Scholar program constantly promotes a rising generation of American scholars in the field, while expanding our national capability in East European studies. 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), administered by the United States Department of State.

Research Scholarships allow pre-tenure academics or recent Ph.D. recipients the opportunity to step aside from teaching responsibilities and the highly-competitive job market in order to turn their dissertation research into a publishable monograph or to begin a new project. Such grants have become increasingly critical for young specialists in this time of academic retrenchment, providing a critical lifeline to recent Ph.D.'s working in Eurasian and Eastern European affairs.

EES work with scholars to improve their interactions with the Washington DC community, by organizing Scholar Briefings at the State Department and arranging meetings that bring Title VIII-supported research to the direct attention of diplomats, members of the intelligence services, and the Department of Defense through their Public Meetings and Outreach programs. Within the Wilson Center, EES bring together Title VIII scholars with local policymakers and colleagues from Eastern Europe and Eurasia who come to WWC through other grant programs, thereby creating a community of scholars and practitioners that can share and contribute to each other's work. This community creates lifelong professional contacts that will inform each scholar's research for years to come.

#### Eligibility

EES research scholarships are available to US citizens, including advanced graduate students, whose research focuses at least in part on Central Europe, the Baltic States, or the Western Balkans. Applicants are required to describe the policy implications of their research in their proposals.

Research scholarships will be awarded for 2-4 months of research in Washington, DC. This is a residential program requiring visiting scholars to remain in the Washington, DC area. Office space at the Wilson Center will be provided and a research assistant may be provided whenever possible. The award carries a stipend of \$3,300 per month.

#### **How to Apply**

A complete application must include the following:	Send all materials as PDFs by email to:
1. completed Research Scholar Application	European.Studies@wilsoncenter.org (please put EES Scholar Application in the
Form;	subject line)
2. curriculum vitae;	Or by mail to: European Studies-Grant Application
3. a concise description of your research project (1-2 pages)	Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
	One Woodrow Wilson Plaza
4. two letters of recommendation	1300 Pennsylvania AVE NW
	Washington DC 20004-3027
	Phone (for fed ex): 202-691-4000
	Fax: 202-691-4001

Applications will be evaluated by a peer review committee. It is essential to make your project clear to individuals outside your own field and to explain its broader implications.

The elements requested below should be incorporated into the text of your research project description:

- **1.** A detailed description of the topic and its policy relevance beyond the interests of the specific field of study.
- **2.** The originality of the proposed study.
- **3.** The basic ideas and hypotheses.
- **4.** The methods or approaches to be used.
- **5.** The materials that will be drawn upon, and where appropriate, the importance of Washington-area resources.
- **6.** A brief discussion of how you or your project will foster communication between the world of ideas and the world of public affairs.

### TITLE VIII RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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