GEORG ARNHOFF SENIOR FELLOW

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2021

The Georg Eckert Institute for International Textbook Research. Member of the Leibniz Association (GEI) is pleased to announce the Call for Applications for the 2021 Georg Arnhold Senior Fellow for Education for Sustainable Peace. The appointment, for the fellowship including a research stay of up to six months at the GEI, offers outstanding scholars and experienced practitioners in the field of peace education the opportunity to carry out work in the area of education for sustainable peace, preferably with a focus on educational media and transformation societies, and to discuss their project and findings with other scholars and practitioners at the annual international Summer Conference of the Georg Arnhold Program.

The fellowship aims to promote education for sustainable peace with a particular focus on educational media and curricula at secondary school level in post-conflict or transitional societies. Its principal objectives are to bridge the gap between theory and practice, to foster international scholarly exchange as well as to translate research findings into practical recommendations for those active in conflict resolution, thereby contributing to civil society capacity building. The output from the fellowship holder’s work should therefore preferably be policy papers, educational materials, research papers, or a larger publication.

THE FELLOWSHIP IS ENDOWED WITH

- A monthly stipend of up to 3,300 EUR for a fellowship period of up to six months, to include a longer stay (of one to six months) at the Georg Eckert Institute in Braunschweig, Germany
- Return economy airfare to Germany
- Administrative support provided by the program coordinators (including English language editing of publications published during, and as a result of, the fellowship).

ELIGIBILITY

Distinguished scholars from the humanities, political and social sciences, education sciences or law who hold a Ph.D. and have excellent knowledge of English may apply. Applicants must demonstrate outstanding academic or professional achievements in their field and ideally combine scholarly excellence and contact with hands-on practice and grassroots work.

Individuals with extensive, high-level international experience in government or non-governmental organizations or in international organizations, who have excellent knowledge of English are also welcome to apply. The Georg Eckert Institute will therefore also consider applications from practitioners who do not hold a Ph.D. but who have at least five years of advanced professional experience in the area of peace education and who can demonstrate that their work and/or research projects have made an exceptional impact in the field of peace education.
OBLIGATIONS OF THE FELLOWSHIP HOLDER

- The Georg Arnhold Senior Fellow shall carry out work in the area of education for sustainable peace, preferably with a focus on educational media, curricula development and transformation societies.
- The Fellowship holder shall discuss the project findings with other scholars and practitioners at the annual international Summer Conference of the Georg Arnhold Program.
- The Fellowship requires a longer stay (of one to six months) at the Georg Eckert Institute.
- The Georg Arnhold Senior Fellow shall give a presentation of her or his project in a public lecture at the Georg Eckert Institute.
- The findings/outcomes of the fellow’s project shall be published no later than one year after the termination of the Fellowship.
- Candidates are responsible for obtaining a passport and any visa that might be required as well as for arranging their own health insurance for the duration of their stay in Germany.

APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

The application must include:

A COVER LETTER
The cover letter should provide evidence of the quality of the candidate’s scholarship and expertise; of the candidate’s high-level experience working in government or non-governmental organizations or in international organizations (max. 2 pages).

In your application, you should also answer the question as to what significance the Fellowship has for your professional development and in which ways it can possibly further to your work. In addition, we would like to hear what your work as a fellow at the GEI could contribute to the work if the institute and the Georg Arnhold Program.

A DESCRIPTION OF THE RESEARCH-/BOOK PROJECT
The application documents should further contain a description of the (research) project or book the candidate wishes to work on. Candidates should clearly state the objectives of their project/research, outline the methodology and describe the significance of their work for the field of education for sustainable peace as well as the intended results of the project. The project description should further contain a rough timetable for the duration of the research fellowship as well as an elaborated dissemination strategy for the results (max. 5 pages).

A CV AND WRITING SAMPLE
Candidates should also submit a full curriculum vitae, including a list of publications. If the majority of the publications are not in English, the candidate should provide a translation of the titles. The application documents should further contain a sample of the applicant’s current scholarly writing; this could be a book chapter or an article (max. 2 samples no longer than 25 pages each).

Practitioners, who might not have a list of academic publications, may submit a list of project/program reports or educational materials they have produced or have been part of/supervised. The list should clearly state the candidate’s role in the project/program as well as their contribution to the production of the publications/materials. The application documents should further contain a sample of the applicant’s current work;
this could be a project/program report or the outline of a previously conducted project (max. 2 samples no longer than 25 pages each).

THE COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM
To complete your application the documents shall be supplemented by the completed application form. The form is to be filled out, printed and signed before submitting it as a scanned PDF document. The application form is available on our website: http://bit.ly/GeorgArnholdSeniorFellow

SUBMISSION OF THE APPLICATION DOCUMENTS
All documents must be submitted in PDF format, as a single file, which should not exceed 4 MB. The application must not be submitted as a zip-file or via a fileserver. Submissions should be made electronically.

The file name should be “Georg Arnhold Senior Fellow 2021 – YOUR NAME”.

Please send applications to arnhold@gei.de, using the subject line “Georg Arnhold Senior Fellow 2021 – YOUR NAME”.

APPLICATION DEADLINE
The application deadline for the 2021 fellowship is January 31, 2020. The successful candidate can begin his or her fellowship in January 2021 at the earliest.

APPLICATION PROCESS AND SELECTION CRITERIA
The application process comprises three steps:

- Review of applications by a GEI committee of Eckert Institute
- Evaluation of applications from shortlisted candidates by experts in the field of peace education
- Final selection by the program’s academic advisory board.

The principal criteria on which the committee will base their decision will be the candidates’ academic reputation, his or her experience as a practitioner and the quality of the project envisaged for their fellowship of the Georg Arnhold Program. In order to gain a clear idea of the candidates’ ability to disseminate, communicate and achieve the objectives of their projects the selection committee will invite a number of candidates to participate in an online interview at the annual board meeting, which will take place in late spring 2020. At this meeting the successful candidate will be selected.

Please note that the selection process will take several months. All applicants will be informed of the result towards the end of the first half of 2020.

The Georg Eckert Institute for International Textbook Research, Member of the Leibniz Association, located in Braunschweig, Germany, is an academic center of excellence that conducts research on educational media in their political, social, and educational contexts. Its library holds an outstanding collection of international school textbooks in history, geography, social sciences, and religious education. The Institute also acts in an advisory and mediatory capacity regarding textbook-related issues.