

Scholar-in-Residence Program of the Deutsches Museum

The Deutsches Museum, Munich has several attractive scholarships to give out for research projects involving the museum's vast and heterogeneous collections, and lasting either six or twelve month. The scholarship program is international and interdisciplinary in scope.

There are myriad opportunities at the Deutsches Museum for innovative research into scientific processes and the changing cultures of technology: founded in 1903, the museum's holdings comprise some 100,000 objects; an [archive](#) of 4,500 shelf meters including an extensive collection of scientific photographs, technical illustrations, company records and private papers; and a specialist [research library](#) for the history of science and technology with 875,000 volumes, 5,000 journals, and an extensive collection of rare books. The museum's collections have grown organically in the sense that instruments, manuscripts and books of individual scientists and engineers as well as entire scientific research groups have been absorbed as historical totalities reflecting by-gone experimental life-worlds and cohesive cultures of innovation. The unique structure of this collection enables scholars to develop cross-referential methods of research on the basis of texts, images and artifacts available on site and to engage in the historical and archeological exploration of science and technology.

Applicants are invited to co-operate with curators and researchers of the Deutsches Museum in preparing their research proposals. Projects involving innovative approaches to artifact-oriented research are especially welcomed.

During their stays visiting scholars will have daily contact with curators, archivists and librarians from within the Deutsches Museum (approx. 50 staff members) as well as members of the Münchner Zentrum für Wissenschafts- und Technikgeschichte (Munich Center for the History of Science and Technology; approx. 50 staff members). They will have their own workplace with a desktop computer and telephone, and privileged access to temporary housing in subsidized apartments of the museum complex. They will present their research projects to colleagues at the beginning of their stays and are expected to participate in the regular Monday colloquium series that convenes every two weeks. They may also be invited to publish their research findings in various [publication series](#) of the Deutsches Museum.

Pre-doctoral stipends in euros comprise: 7,500 (six months) / 15,000 (full year). Post-doctoral stipends in euros comprise: 15,000 (six months) / 30,000 (full year). Scholars at any level of seniority are eligible to apply, provided they have at least one university degree. There are no restrictions regarding nationality. All scholars are requested to make their own provisions for health insurance.

- Application deadline: October 16, 2009
- Scholarship commencement: January 1 and July 1, 2010 respectively

Please send applications, including:

- the filled-out online application form ([pdf-file](#), 20 kB or [rtf-file](#) 148 kB)
- curriculum vitae
- project description (3–5 pages)
- two confidential references (these can be sent directly by the referees)
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