

THE FIRST GUILD SUMMER SCHOOL

Career-Readiness for Ph.D. Candidates

➤ **The call for applications is now open!**

Université Paris Diderot, 6-13 July, 2019

Are you a doctoral candidate thinking about your future career?

Are you curious about different career opportunities in research?

Are you looking to develop professional skills that complement your research background?

This Summer school is right for you!

Why Apply?

Doctoral degree-holders worldwide face shifting professional outcomes. European research-intensive universities have a responsibility to prepare their doctorates to apply their research training in a variety of professional contexts beyond higher education institutions, and to prepare them for the economic, ethical, cultural, and social challenges they will face throughout their professional lives. This summer school will give you a deeper understanding of the implications and applications of your research training, entrusting you with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to guide your future professional development.

In one intensive week, you will:

- **Participate** in a combination of workshops, lab visits, as well as private and public sector site visits.
- **Network** with other Ph.D. candidates, lecturers, as well as European and national experts who will share their research and expertise.
- **Engage** with local organisations and businesses, increasingly looking to recruit doctoral degree holders.
- **Expand** your international academic and professional network
- **Gain** cross-cultural perspectives on doctoral training and its career implications.

The number of participants is limited to 40 participants. **Ph.D. candidates from all fields of study are encouraged to apply.**

Aarhus University • University of Bern • University of Bologna • Ghent University • University of Glasgow • University of Göttingen • University of Groningen • Jagiellonian University • King's College London • University of Ljubljana • University of Louvain • University of Oslo • University Paris Diderot • Radboud University • University of Tartu • University of Tübingen • Uppsala University • University of Vienna • University of Warwick

Eligibility Requirements

Ph.D. candidates must be enrolled at a Guild Member institution. By Ph.D. candidates, we refer to those who are in a doctoral program but who have not yet obtained their doctoral degree- and who are reflecting on the professional direction of their doctoral training, in light of the career preparation focus of the curriculum.

The summer school will be conducted in English. Participants must have strong listening, speaking, and writing skills in English. We recommend that applicants possess a level that corresponds to a *minimum* B2 level on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.

Program Fee

Program fees (tuition and accommodation) will be covered by your home institution. Travel to and from Paris as well as international insurance (must include civil insurance) are not included. Please check with your home institution whether they will be financing these additional costs.

Application Procedure

Required Application Documents

Interested Ph.D. candidates must submit the following documents in the EUROPASS format: <https://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/documents> to the institutional coordinator at their university. In the interest of administrative simplification, please send your documents in one single PDF document, if possible.

- ✓ Cover Letter detailing (1 page max.) :
 - o the Applicant's motivation for participating in this Summer School
 - o the Applicant's specific interest in the program's thematic focus (career-readiness)
- ✓ Curriculum Vitae (CV) (not exceeding 2 pages)
- ✓ The Language Passport
- ✓ A short letter of endorsement from your supervisor

Deadline for applications

Applications must be sent to your home institution by **15 March 2019** at the latest.

Selection Procedure

- 1) An **internal selection phase** in each institution. Each university will evaluate the applications they have received and select which applicants from their university will be nominated for the Summer School.
- 2) There will be a **second and final selection phase** by the Summer School Pedagogical Committee. This second phase will insure that the final group of participants selected represents a diversity of personal and academic backgrounds among participants, in the interest of engaging participants in new ideas and perspectives.

Notification

All applicants will be notified of decisions by **mid-April**.

Additional information

Note that non-EU citizens, depending on their citizenship, will need a short-stay visa. Please check with the institutional coordinator at your home university.

For more information

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