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Social Science Research Council Dissertation and Post-doctoral Fellowships

The Social Science Research Council and the Free University of Berlin, with the financial support of the Volkswagen Foundation and the German Marshall Fund of the United States, sponsor dissertation and post-doctoral fellowships for advanced German and European Studies at the Free University of Berlin.

The purpose of the program is threefold: to encourage research on economic, political and social aspects of modern and contemporary German and European affairs; to promote the comparative and interdisciplinary study of German and European affairs; and to advance understanding of economic, historical, political and social processes in Germany and throughout Europe among scholars in the United States.

The program provides support to researchers working on the period since the mid-19th century. Fellows are expected to produce a monograph dealing with some aspect(s) of German or European affairs, including U.S.-European affairs. Fellowships support nine to 24 months of overseas research. Fellows are expected to reside primarily in Berlin. Access to other research institutions in Berlin and throughout the Federal Republic of Germany will be available through the Free University. A good command of German is required. Intensive language refresher courses will be funded in certain cases.

A stipend of 2,000 DM per month is provided with additional allowances for transatlantic travel and research-related travel within Europe. Fellowships begin on October 1 or April 1 of each year.

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Symposium: "The Contemporary German Mind"

The American Institute for Contemporary German Studies is planning its first major meeting in the field of German literature and culture in a political and societal context. The symposium, entitled "The Contemporary German Mind," will explore major intellectual and creative currents in Germany today. Among the participants will be Hans Magnus Enzensberger, Jürgen Habermas, Harmut von Hentig, Fritz Stern, and György Konrad. For more information contact the AICGS directly.

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Internationales Kolloquium: "Aufarbeitung der Vergangenheit, Zukunftsentwürfe und Alltag. Zur Kultur der SBZ/DDR von den Anfängen bis Ende der 50er Jahre"

Die Universität Paris VIII (Laboratoire "Connaisance de la RDA") lädt in Zusammenarbeit mit der Humboldt Universität zu Berlin und dem Kulturzentrum der DDR in Paris zu einem internationalen Kolloquium vom 16.-17. März 1990 ein. Veranstaltungsort ist das Kulturzentrum der DDR, 117 Boulevard St.-Germain, Paris. Benutzte Sprachen sind Deutsch und Französisch.

Gegenstand des Kolloquiums bildet die Auseinandersetzung mit den für das politische Bewußtsein, das kulturelle Selbstverständnis und das Alltagsverhalten der frühen DDR konstitutiven Leitbildern, Modellen und Verhaltensnormen. Dabei soll insbesondere dem Verhältnis von revolutionären Erwartungen und Utopien und dem Beharrungsvermögen überkommener Strukturen und Mentalitäten nachgegangen werden - dem Verhältnis also von longue durée und courte durée. Im Vordergrund steht die kritische Bestandsaufnahme von Dokumenten, Texten und kulturellen (Er)zeugnissen der