

The Short-Term Research Fellowship at Stanford University for Estonian Scholars

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Estonia and the Stanford University Libraries invite applications for The Short-Term Research Fellowship at Stanford University for Estonian Scholars.

The 6-8-week fellowship enables Estonian researchers, especially early- to mid-career scholars, to make use of Stanford's strong collections, academic knowledge, and networks related to the study of the history, society, and politics of Estonia and the Baltic region.

The fellowship is hosted by SUL's Baltic Studies Program, which is home to one of the strongest Baltic collections in the U.S. and a vibrant program of events and projects led by SUL's Associate Curator for Estonian and Baltic Studies. In partnership with SUL, The Europe Center will organize at least one lecture or seminar by the fellow during the fellowship and will include them in the center's activities, events, and networks. The fellow will also have access to Hoover Institution Library and Archives, which include one of the strongest Baltic archival collections outside the Baltic region, and enjoy the opportunity to engage in the scholarly and research activities of Stanford University.

The goal of the fellowship is to enable Estonian scholars to visit Stanford in order to:

- 1) Carry out research by making use of the library and archival collections at Stanford.
- 2) Deliver at least one seminar or lecture (hosted by SUL and The Europe Center) related to one's research topic(s) to Stanford faculty, staff, and students.
- 3) Engage in the scholarly and research activities and rich intellectual life of Stanford University.

TIME PERIOD: 6-8 weeks, spring of 2022

GRANT: €12,000

APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 18, 2021

ELIGIBILITY:

- * We welcome proposals related to the study of history, society, and politics (political/international studies, diplomacy, etc.) of Estonia and the Baltic region.
- * The fellowship is open to all scholars with a doctoral degree, proposals by early- to mid-career scholars (scholars who have earned their doctoral degree 5–15 years ago) are especially encouraged.
- * Applicants must be citizens and current residents of Estonia and must return to Estonia after the completion of the fellowship.
- * The grant is to be used for such purposes as the costs for travel, lodging, food, and photocopying associated with the recipient's research trip.
- * The grant is to be used to travel to the U.S. in the spring of 2022. However, depending on circumstances (e.g., international travel restrictions), an extension of up to the end of 2022

or even longer may be granted.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

* In order to apply, fill in and submit this application form:

<https://forms.gle/mcDemxFTLmnmLrsw8>

* The application must include a proposal packet (single Word/PDF file), which must consist of the following parts:

1. Fellowship proposal (2-3 pages) outlining the nature and goals of the research project/activities, including Stanford collections, researchers, and institutes/programs of interest. The proposal should also include a title and short abstract for a presentation the applicant wishes to deliver at Stanford (1-2 paragraphs);
2. Budget and timeline
3. Applicant's curriculum vitae

This grant will be awarded competitively, based on applications submitted. A committee composed of two members of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Estonia, SUL's Associate Curator for Estonian and Baltic Studies, and one Stanford faculty member with expertise in the field of Estonian and Baltic studies will evaluate the applications in terms of their possible contribution to the field of Estonian history and political/international studies as well as to the academic network of Stanford University, the scholarly potential of the applicant, and the application's feasibility.

Rejected applications cannot be appealed, but scholars may resubmit applications in subsequent years.

Award notification will be made in December 2021.

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