

The Graduate Programme for Transcultural Studies of the Cluster of Excellence "Asia and Europe in a Global Context" at Heidelberg University welcomes applications for up to

## 8 doctoral scholarships

The Graduate Programme for Transcultural Studies (GPTS) is a central element of the Cluster of Excellence "Asia and Europe in a Global Context: The Dynamics of Transculturality". The Cluster's interdisciplinary research focuses on the dynamics of transcultural entanglements within and between Asia and Europe from historical as well as contemporary perspectives. It connects methods and theories from the humanities and social sciences to challenge the eurocentrism and methodological nationalism still prevalent in scholarly discourses.

The Karl Jaspers Centre for Advanced Transcultural Studies is well connected within and outside Heidelberg University, thereby offering an excellent research environment and an international community of scholars. Successful applicants will be incorporated into the dynamic, collaborative atmosphere, and a range of mandatory and optional courses will support them in developing transcultural theories and methodologies. The scholarships are available to both European and Asian students, and amount to € 1200,- per month.

Applicants must hold an M.A. or equivalent in a discipline of the humanities or social sciences with an above-average grade (at least 1.7, B+, 2+, "magna cum laude", or equivalent). The degree has to reflect at least five years of study at university level. Applicants who plan to graduate in 2013 must provide a university transcript that clearly indicates the progress to degree. To apply, please provide a CV, a letter of intention, a project proposal, a schedule for the dissertation, and two referees for recommendation.

After an initial evaluation and selection, applicants will be asked to get in contact with possible supervisors at the Cluster of Excellence to discuss their project proposal. The most promising applicants will be invited to present their projects to the selection committee in Heidelberg. Subsequently the scholarship holders would be selected.

Applications are accepted online only. Please use our *Online Application System* at:  
[https://vjic.w2system08.de/intern/start\\_start\\_for.php](https://vjic.w2system08.de/intern/start_start_for.php)

**The deadline for application is March 15, 2013.**

For more information about the GPTS and the scholarships see:

[www.asia-europe.uni-heidelberg.de/en/gpts](http://www.asia-europe.uni-heidelberg.de/en/gpts)

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