



Call for Ph.D. Candidates in Peace and Conflict Resolution

Call open for Applications to the *European Wasatia Graduate School for Peace and Conflict Resolution* at Europa-Universität Flensburg, Deutschland

Deadline 30th September 2026

The European Wasatia Graduate School for Peace and Conflict Resolution at Europa-Universität Flensburg, Germany, invites academically outstanding and highly motivated candidates from around the world and in particular from the Middle East/West Asia to apply for its doctoral program beginning 1st January 2027 (enrolment possible until 1 March 2027).

The School brings together emerging scholars in an early stage of their career who are committed to advancing innovative academic approaches to justice and reconciliation in political transformations. The School particularly welcomes comparative studies with relevance to the Middle East. At the heart of the program lies an interdisciplinary, transnational, and multi-religious research framework that understands truth and justice as foundations for sustainable peace. The program engages deeply with the moral, political, legal, and religious dimensions of reconciliation, including the acknowledgment of historical suffering, transformation of entrenched narratives, and promotion of interreligious and intercultural understanding. Wasatiyya understood as moderation also embodies the practice of working and researching together.

The academic program also reaches out to civil society in cooperation with the Maecenata-Foundation, Berlin/Munich, and the Leibniz Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin. You can learn more about the school at <https://www.uni-flensburg.de/en/trilateral-graduate-school/>

Successful applicants will be able to pursue cutting-edge doctoral research in political reconciliation and conflict resolution within a uniquely international, interdisciplinary, and dialogue-driven academic environment.

Why join the Wasatia Graduate School?

- Interdisciplinary Excellence
- International Network
- Real-World Impact
- Dialogue-Based Learning
- Career Development

Program Highlights include

- Structured three-year doctoral program
- Seminars with internationally renowned scholars
- International Study visits
- Close mentorship and international research environment

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Who Should Apply?

Candidates who

- have academic excellence, particularly in the wider field of Humanities and Social Sciences, including Philosophy, Sociology, Literature, Media, Political Science and Economy, Middle East Studies, Religious Studies, and Law,
- graduated from university (M.A.) not longer than 5 years ago (exceptions t.b.d.),
- are interested in interdisciplinary and international collaboration,
- are prepared to reside on Campus in Flensburg for the duration of the program.

Successful applicants will receive a grant to cover tuition (Semestergebühr) and cost of living for up to 36 months. The grant will run from 2027 to 2029.

Please submit your application by **30th September 2026** to graduate-school@uni-flensburg.de and enclose the following documents

- CV (with a particular focus on academic credentials),
- Letter explaining your interest and explicitly addressing all requirements listed above,
- PhD Proposal (5-10 pages),
- Master Thesis (PDF),
- Academic Transcripts (BA, MA),
- Reference letter from a professor acquainted with your academic skills.

Please note: This call is subject to the approval of funding by the main grantor, and PhD grants by collaborating partners, including Katholischer Akademischer Austauschdienst (KAAD).

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