

The Nordic Centres of Excellence in the NordForsk NCoE Programme on Welfare Research:

NordWel, The Nordic Welfare State – Historical Foundations and Future Challenges

REASSESS, Reassessing the Nordic Welfare Model

Call for papers

Joint NordWel and REASSESS International Summer School

State, Society & Citizen – Cross-disciplinary Perspectives on Welfare State Development

Helsinki, 12 -17 August 2012

NCoE NordWel and REASSESS organize a joint international summer school in Hanasaari, Espoo, 12-17 August 2012.

Welfare states can be studied with a number of theoretical and methodological approaches, from various chronological perspectives and with a focus on different empirical phenomena. The summer school aims to stimulate discussions across disciplines and foster innovative cross-disciplinary research on the development of welfare states over time. The summer school brings together PhD students and well-established scholars in scientific exchanges.

Distinguished international scholars representing different disciplines and cross-disciplinary approaches lecture in sessions covering a vast range of themes. The list of senior scholars, who have confirmed their participation, includes *Jonathan Bradshaw* (University of York), *Jochen Clasen* (University of Edinburgh), *Christoph Conrad* (University of Geneva), *Olli Kangas* (The Social Insurance Institution of Finland KELA/University of Southern Denmark), *Arnlaug Leira* (University of Oslo), *Christopher Lloyd* (University of New England, Armidale), *Kimberly Morgan* (George Washington University, Washington DC), *Bruno Palier* (Sciences Po, Paris), *Dorottya Szikra* (Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest), *Noel Whiteside* (University of Warwick), *Anneli Anttonen* (University of Tampere), *Pauli Kettunen* (University of Helsinki), *Pirjo Markkola* (University of Jyväskylä), *Klaus Petersen* (University of Southern Denmark, Odense) and *Veli-Matti Ritakallio* (University of Turku).

We invite PhD students from different disciplinary backgrounds both within and outside the Nordic countries to participate in the discussion on the development of welfare states, their preconditions, present status and how we ought to study them. PhD Students present their papers in parallel sessions and get feedback from senior scholars and junior colleagues. Poster sessions are included.

We welcome paper proposals by PhD students. The approved proposals will be selected on the basis of their quality. Papers can be written from a broad historical or contemporary perspective and come from different disciplines such as history, social policy, sociology, political science, and political philosophy. Guidelines for papers and posters will be sent in connection with the letters of approval.

Participants who complete the summer school successfully are credited with 6 ECTS credits.

Course fee

The course fee is 150 euros. Accommodation is financed by the organizing centres. A limited number of travel grants will be available.

How to apply

Interested applicants are asked to submit an abstract (max 400 words) for a paper and a short biography (including a list of publications) by e-mail no later than 29 February 2012 to our coordinator Heidi Haggrén, heidi.haggren@helsinki.fi. For updates, please check <http://blogs.helsinki.fi/nord-wel/>.

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