



German Historical Institute
Washington DC

Call for Papers
14th Transatlantic Doctoral Seminar
Early Modern German History
Berlin, May 28 - 31, 2008

The German Historical Institute in Washington DC and the BMW Center for German and European Studies at Georgetown University are pleased to announce the 14th Transatlantic Doctoral Seminar in German History, which will take place at the Free University in Berlin on May 28-31, 2008.

The seminar brings together young scholars from Europe and North America who are nearing completion of their doctoral degrees. We plan to invite eight doctoral students from each side of the Atlantic to discuss their research projects. The organizers welcome proposals on any aspect of German history in the early modern period (1500-1790). Doctoral students working in related disciplines -- such as art history, legal history or the history of science -- are also encouraged to apply, as are students working on comparative projects or on the history of Austria or German-speaking Switzerland. The discussions will be based on papers (in German or English) submitted in advance of the conference. The seminar will be conducted bilingually, in German and English. The organizers will cover travel and lodging expenses.

We are now accepting applications from doctoral students whose dissertations are at an advanced stage but who will be granted their degrees *after* June 2008. Applications should include a short (2-3 pp.) description of the dissertation project, a curriculum vitae, and a letter of reference from the major dissertation advisor. German-speaking applicants should submit their materials in German; English-speaking applicants in English. Questions may be directed to Dr. Richard Wetzell by email at wetzell@ghi-dc.org.

Applications and letters of reference must be received by December 1, 2007. They should be submitted via email (preferably in pdf format) to Ms. Bärbel Thomas at b.thomas@ghi-dc.org. Letters of reference should be submitted directly by the dissertation advisor, preferably by email or by Fax to 1 (202) 483-3430.

Doctoral students working on later periods of German history might consider applying to the next two seminars: The Transatlantic Doctoral Seminar 2009 will be dedicated to the nineteenth century; the TDS 2010 to the twentieth.