

Call for Papers Spring Academy 2010 American History, Culture & Politics

DATE: March 22 to March 26, 2010

LOCATION: Heidelberg Center for American Studies, University of Heidelberg.

The Heidelberg Center for American Studies (HCA) invites applications for the seventh HCA Spring Academy. This annual one-week conference on **American History, Culture, and Politics** provides twenty Ph.D. students with the opportunity to present and discuss their Ph.D. projects.

The HCA Spring Academy will also offer participants the chance to work closely with experts in their respective fields of study. For this purpose, four workshops held by visiting scholars will take place during this week.

We encourage applications that range broadly across the arts, humanities, and social sciences and pursue an interdisciplinary approach. Papers can be presented on any subject relating to the study of the United States of America. Possible topics include American identity, transatlantic relations, U.S. foreign policy, gender, literature, issues of ethnicity, as well as different aspects of American history, religion, and culture.

Participants are requested to prepare a 20-minute presentation of their research project, which will be followed by a 40-minute discussion. Presentations will be arranged thematically in ten panel groups.

Besides cross-disciplinary and international discussions during the panels the Spring Academy aims at creating a pleasant collegial atmosphere for further scholarly exchange and contact.

Accommodation will be provided by the Heidelberg Center for American Studies.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: December 15, 2009.

(Synopsis of Ph.D. thesis not longer than 700 words)

SELECTIONS WILL BE MADE BY: January 8, 2010.

PLEASE USE THE ONLINE APPLICATION SYSTEM AT: www.springacademy.de

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