



Institute of Civic Studies and Learning for Democracy

Call for Applications

We are happy to invite you to participate in the *Institute of Civic Studies and Learning (ICSLD) for Democracy* that will take place in Augsburg, Germany, from August 19 – 28, 2022. The *ICSLD* is organized by a team from North Carolina State University (Prof. Chad Hoggan), the University of Augsburg (Dr. habil. Tetyana Hoggan-Kloubert), with the support by Tufts University (Prof. Peter Levine) und University of Maryland (Prof. Karol Sołtan).

Objectives and topics

The *Institute of Civic Studies and Learning for Democracy* is an intensive, ten-day, seminar and residential retreat—bringing together practitioners, graduate students, and faculty from the U.S., Germany, and Ukraine, and from diverse professions and fields of study. Participants will be staying in the same hotel and participating in workshops, planning sessions, and social events all day and evening throughout the ten days. Costs for hotel and meals will be covered by *ICSLD*.

The *ICSLD* deals with issues related to the development of civil society, the role of the individual/citizen in society, the role of education in promoting democracy, the role of institutions in the development of a civil society, and questions related to the ethical foundation of civic issues in a (democratic) society. These topics will be examined in international and comparative perspectives, considering European (especially German und Ukrainian) and U.S.-American civic traditions.

The *ICSLD* engages participants in challenging discussions such as:

- What kinds of citizens (if any) do good regimes need?
- What should such citizens know, believe, and do?
- What practices and institutional structures promote the right kinds of citizenship?
- What ought to be the relationships among empirical evidence, ethics, and strategy?

The *Institute of Civic Studies and Learning for Democracy* is a continuation of the Summer Institute of Civic Studies, which was organized annually by Peter Levine, Karol Sołtan, and Tetyana Hoggan-Kloubert from 2015-2019 (and at Tufts University since 2009). Read about these institutes and check out their programs:

<http://activecitizen.tufts.edu/research/civic-studies/summer-institute/>.

How to apply

All application materials must be submitted in English. The application must include the following:

- A cover letter telling us why you want to participate in the ICSLD and how the seminar will help you promote civic capacities and engagement in the area in which you live (currently or in the future) (maximum 2 pages)
- A curriculum vitae

All application material can be sent as an email attachment in DOC or PDF format to tetyana.kloubert@phil.uni-augsburg.de.

Decisions will be announced before the end of May 2022. The total number of participants will be limited to 20 (approximately 5 from the U.S., 10 from Germany, and 5 from Ukraine. We are interested in applicants who have a long-term interest in developing the civic potential in their respective countries.

The working language of the Summer Institute will be English. Your mastery of the English language must be sufficient to read and understand complex texts from multiple disciplines, and to take part in a lively discussion.

Deadline

For best consideration apply by May 20, 2022.

Expenditures

Selected participants will be provided with accommodation, meals, and full event access. (In cases of urgent need, reimbursement for travel costs may be possible.)

Contact

For more information about the *Institute of Civic Studies and Learning for Democracy*, please contact tetyana.kloubert@phil.uni-augsburg.de. We encourage you to share this message with your networks of people who might be interested in attending.

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